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# The localized surface plasmonic effects: from far-field to near-field optical measurements

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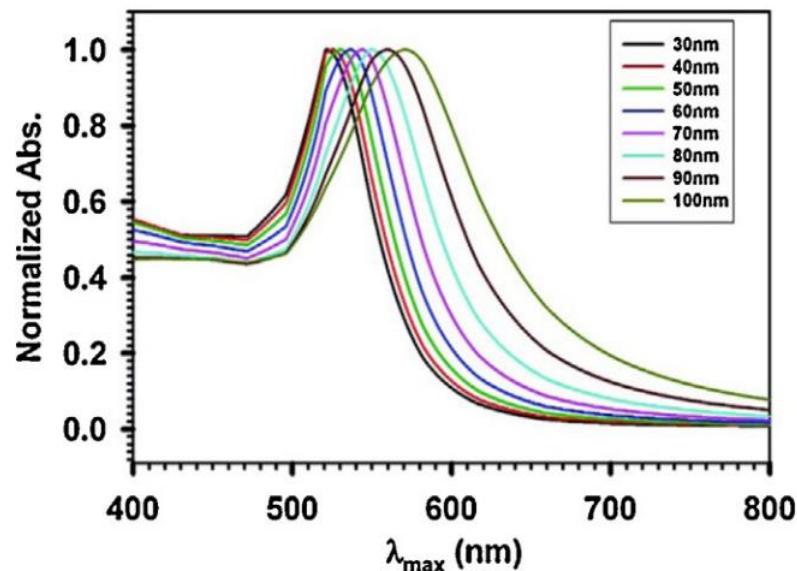
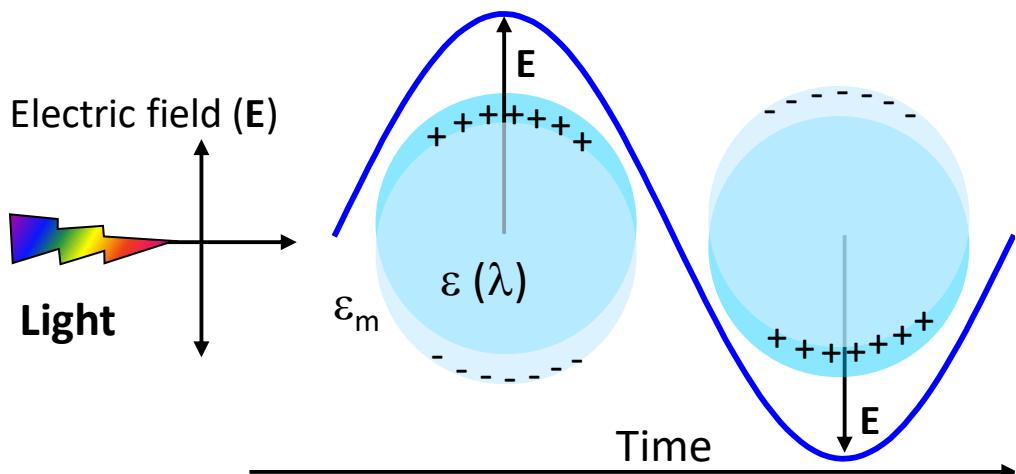
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# Localized Surface Plasmons

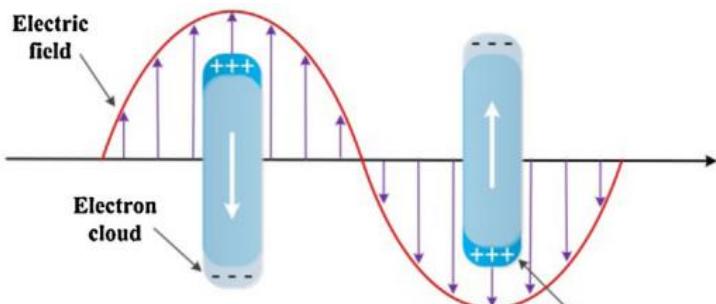


$$\text{Polarizability : } \alpha = 4\pi r^3 \frac{\epsilon(\lambda) - \epsilon_m}{\epsilon(\lambda) + 2\epsilon_m}$$

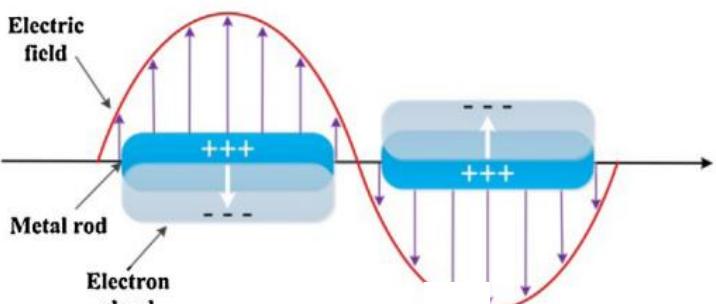
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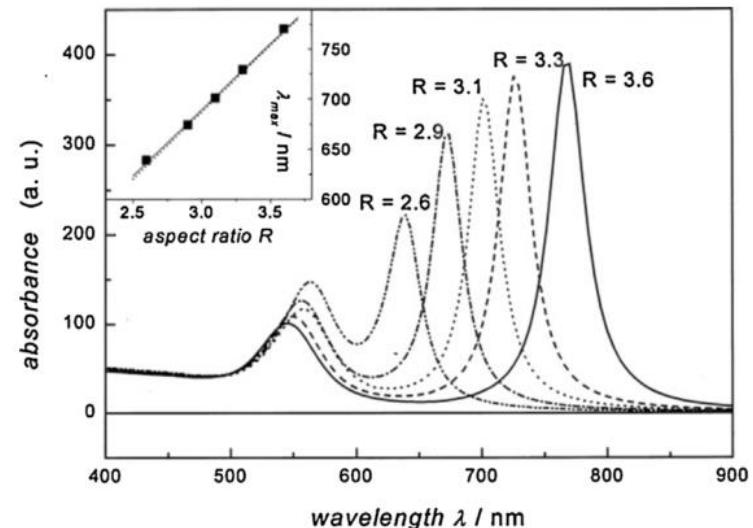
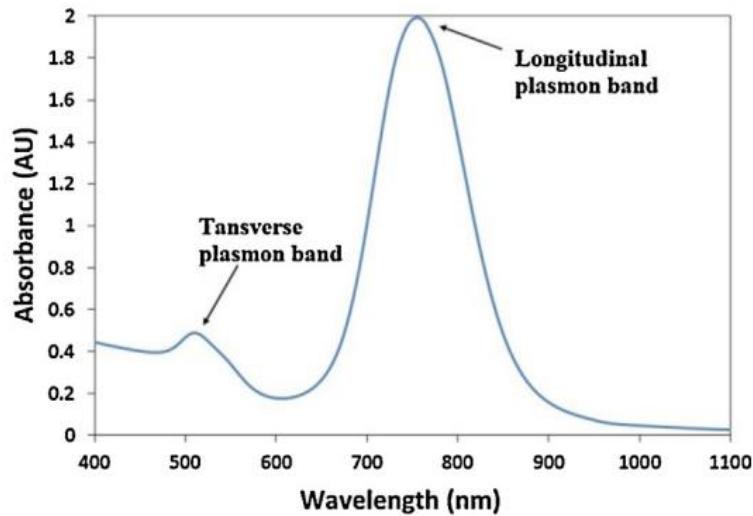
# Plasmonic nanoparticles



Longitudinal electrons oscillation



Transverse electrons oscillation

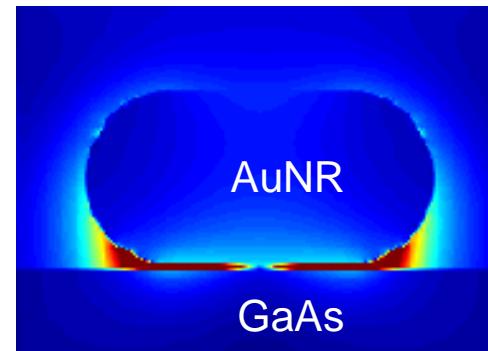
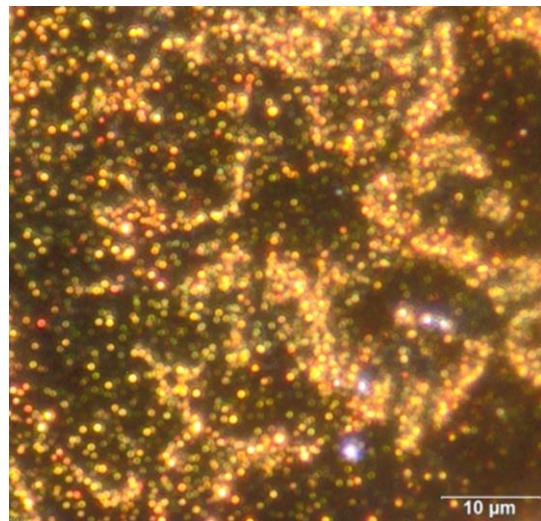
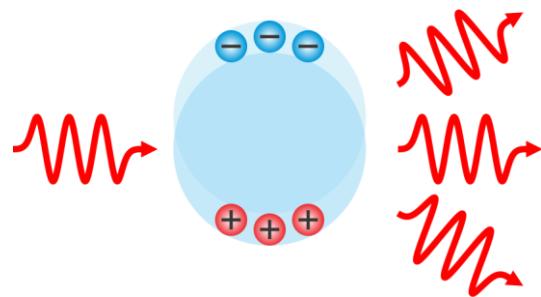


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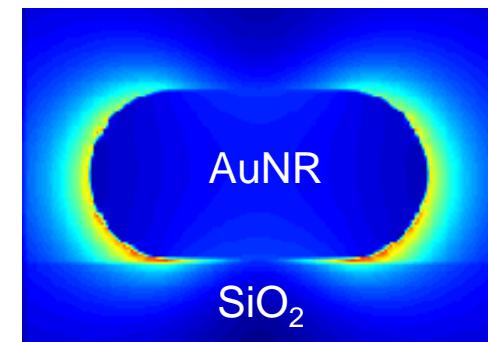
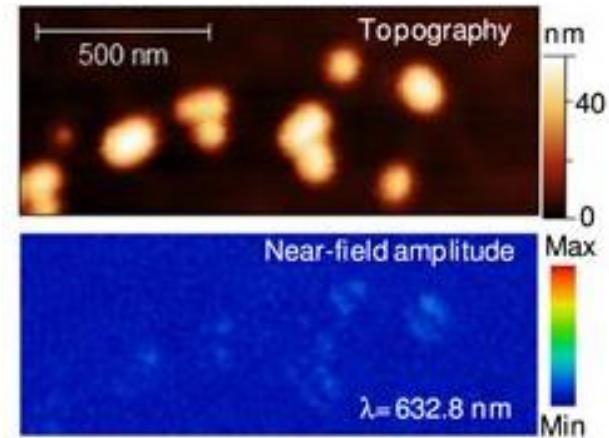
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# Plasmonic effect in the far-field and near-field

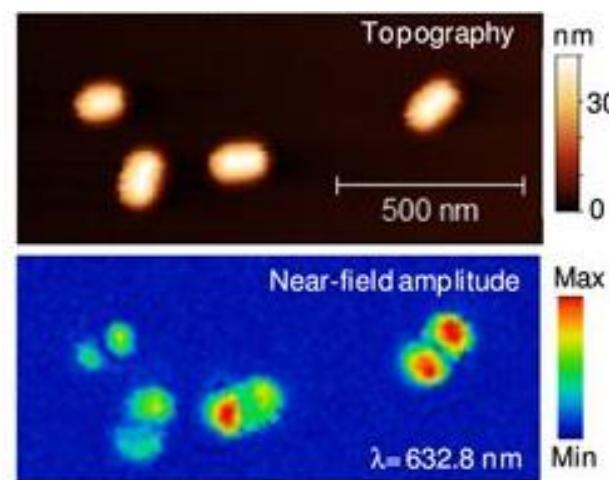
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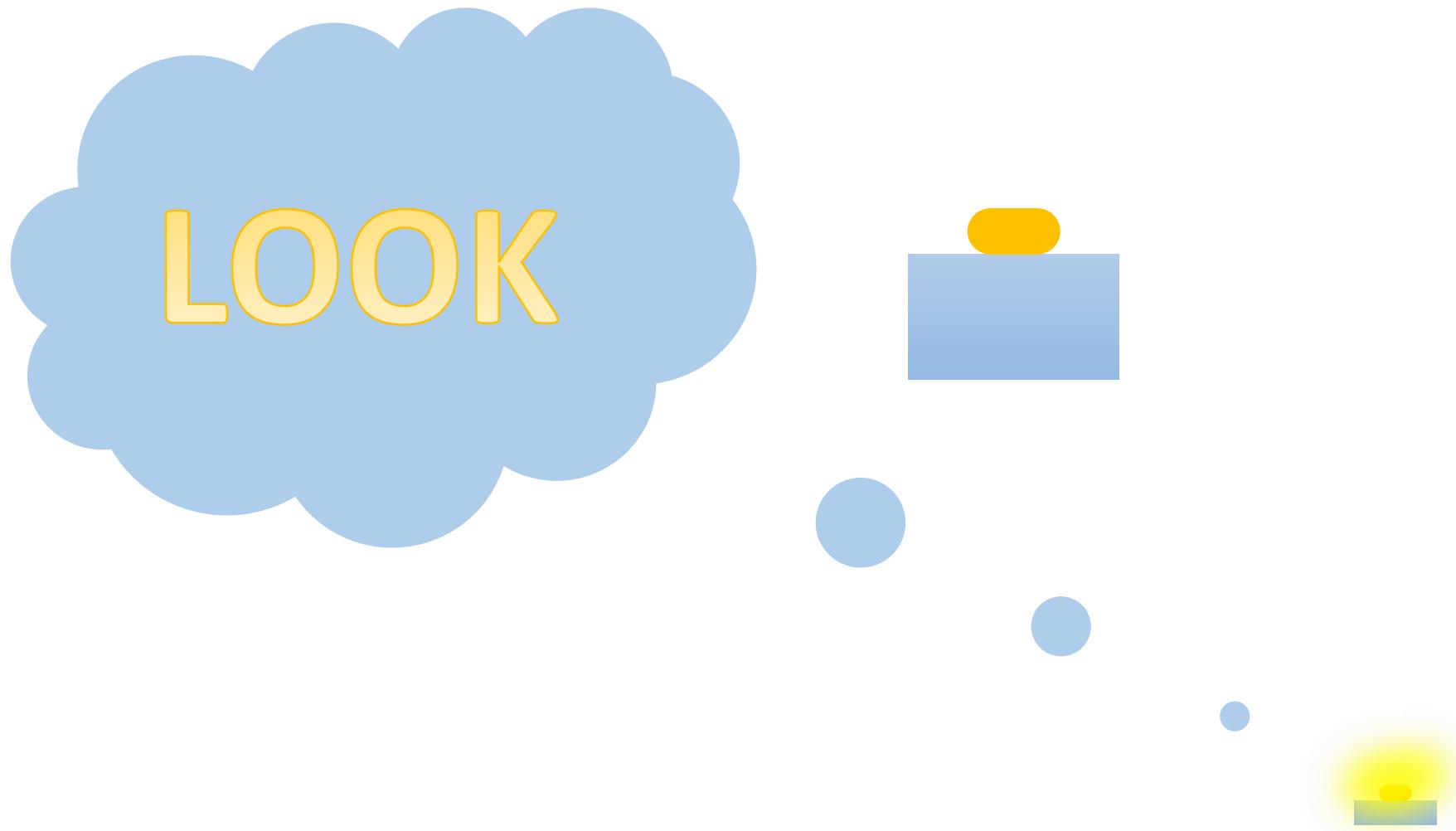
$$\epsilon_{\text{GaAs}} = 14.83 + i1.52$$



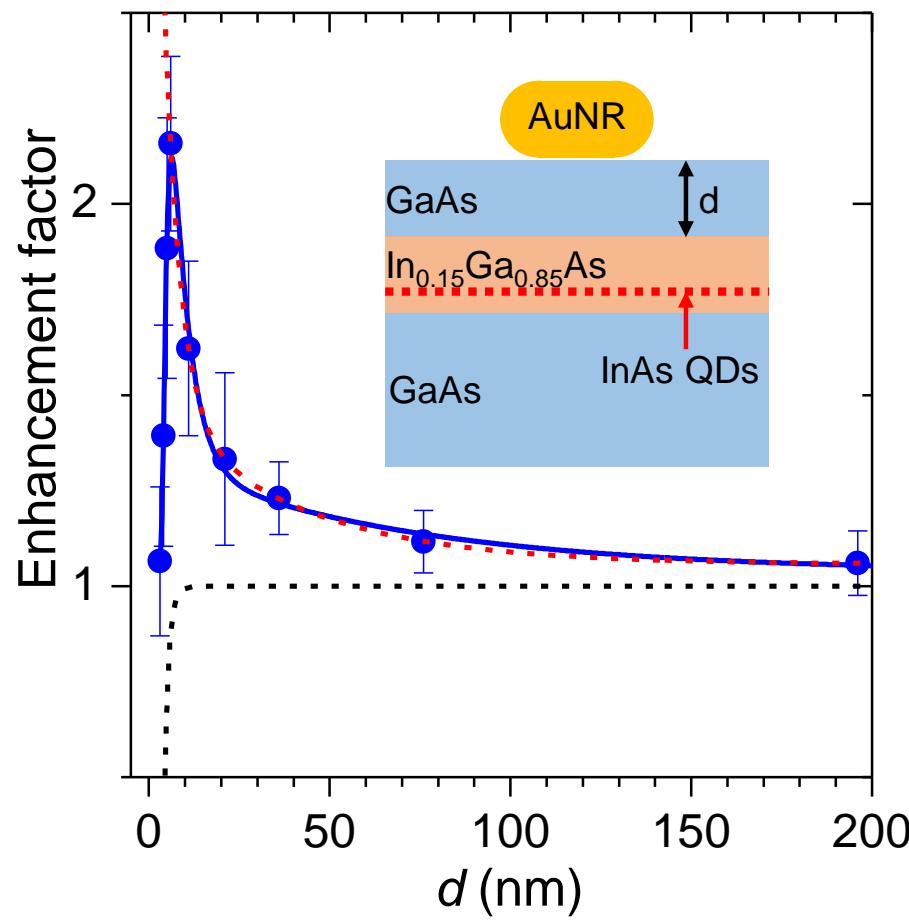
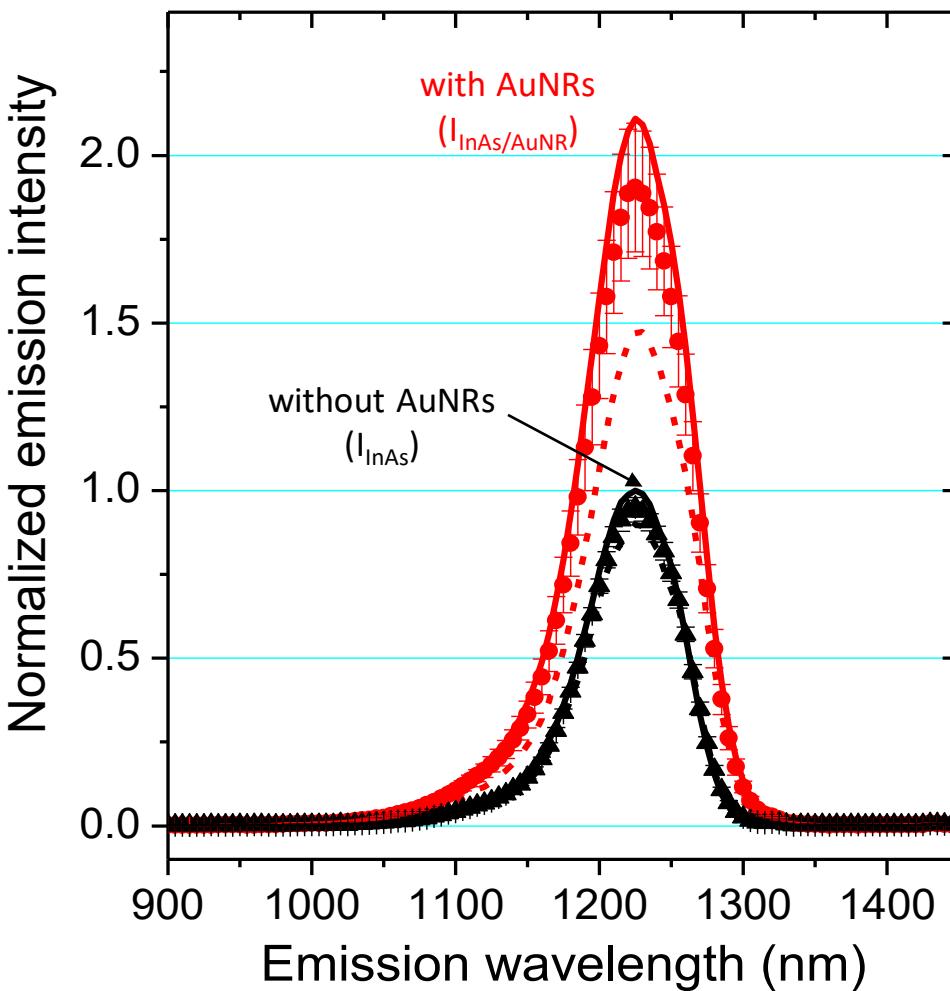
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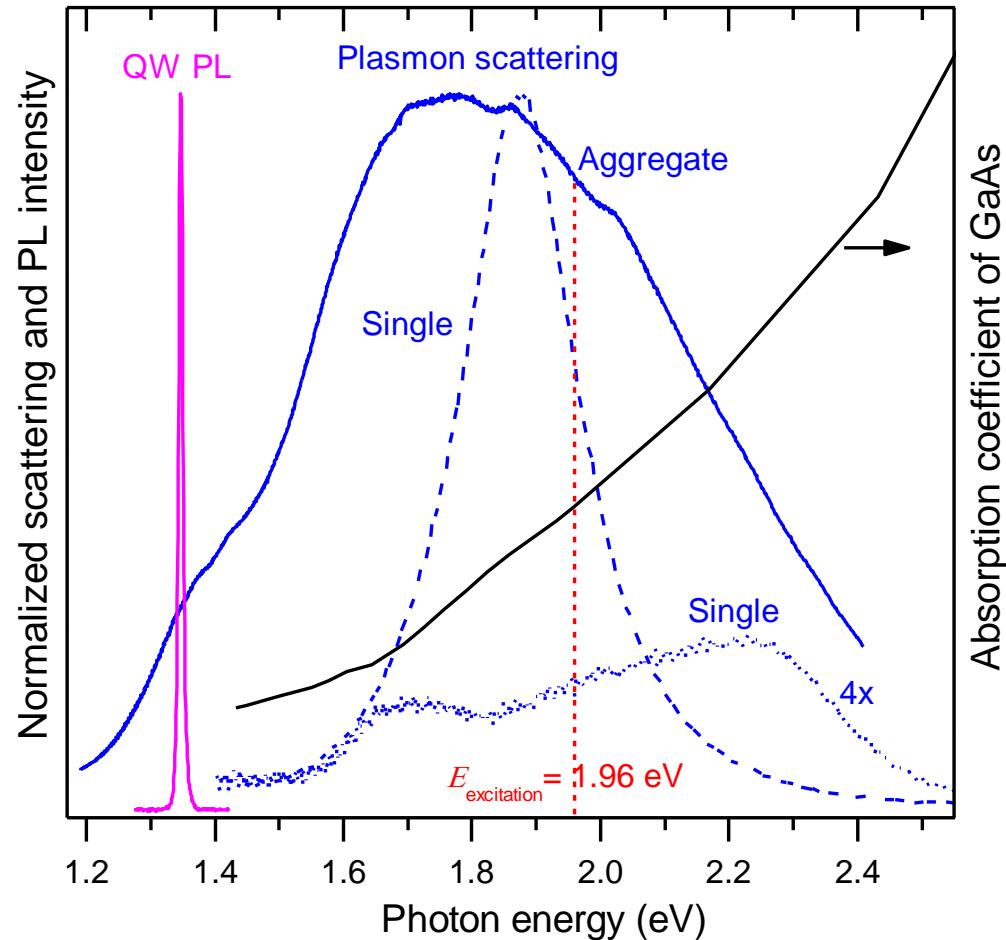
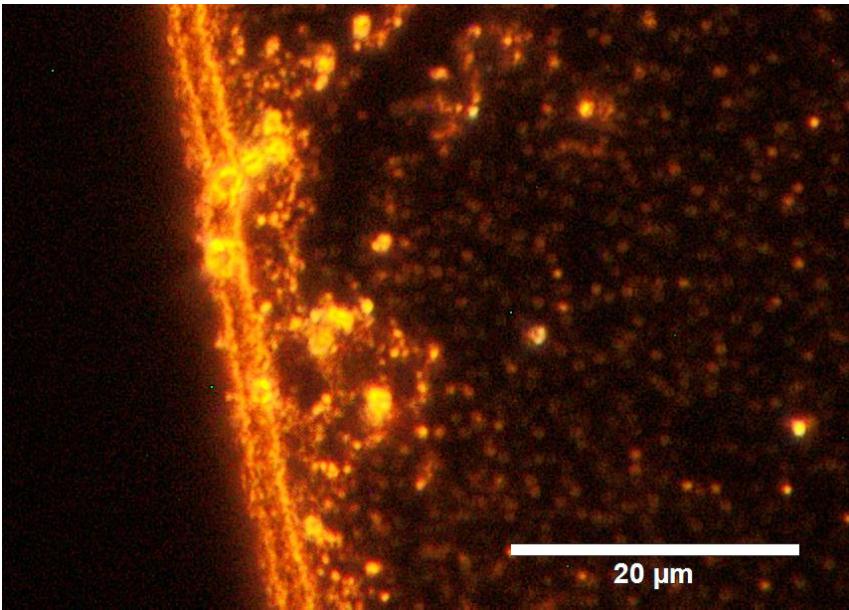
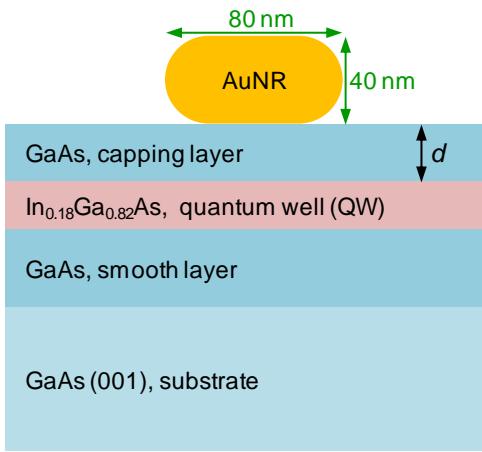
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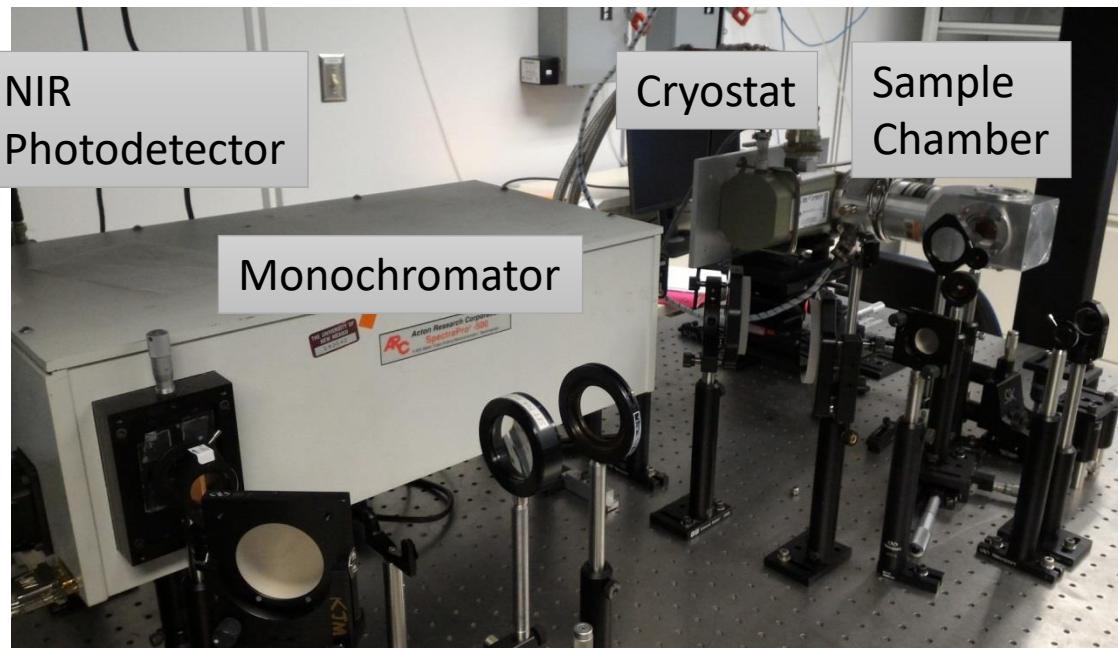
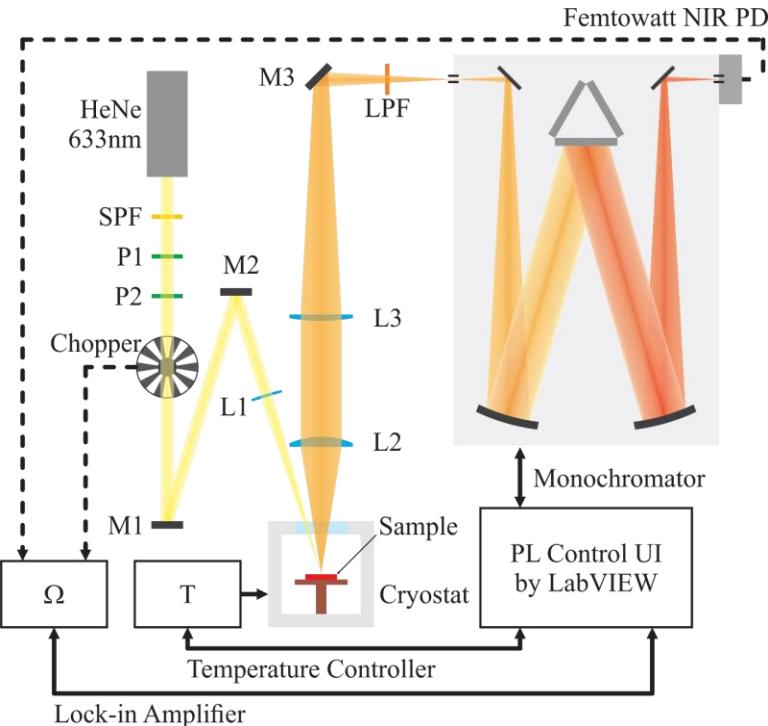
# Thickness dependence of Quantum Dots PL emission



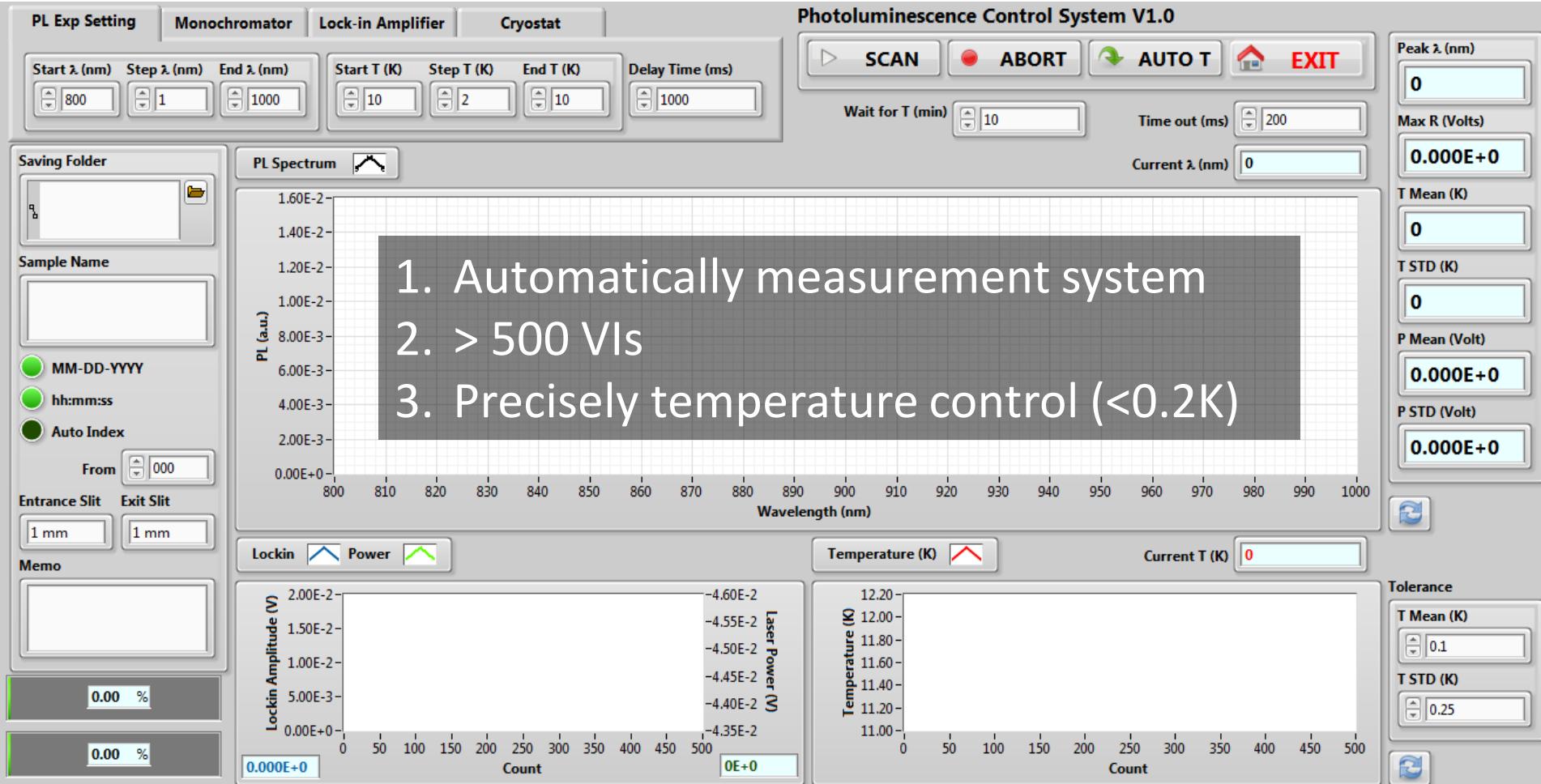
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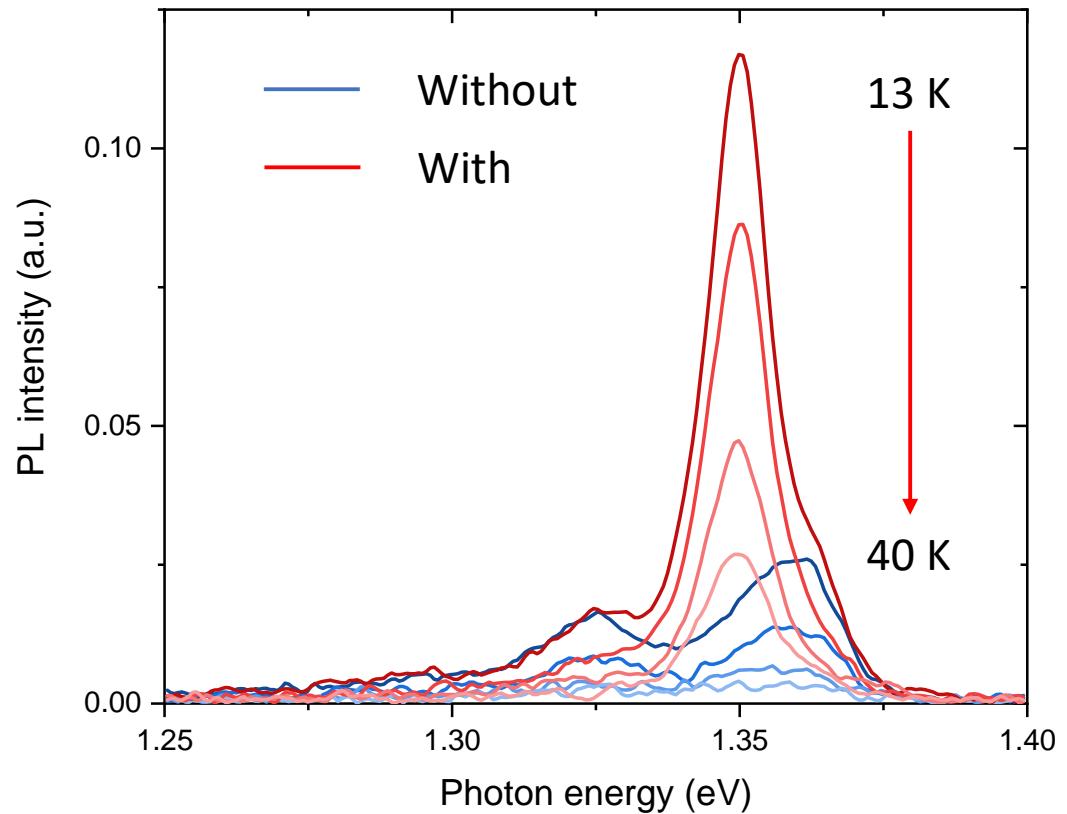
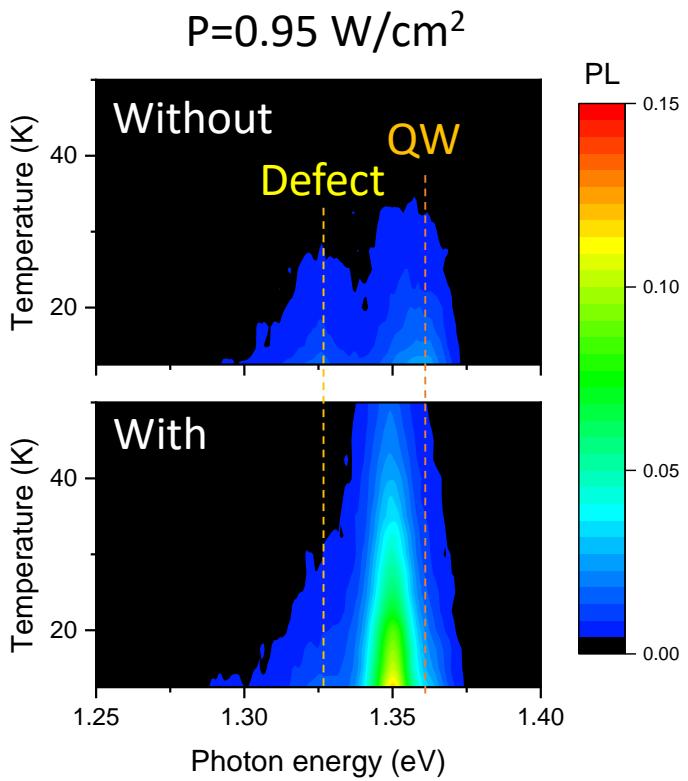
# Home-built Cryo-Photoluminescence measurement system



# Home-built Cryo-PL Program (LabVIEW)

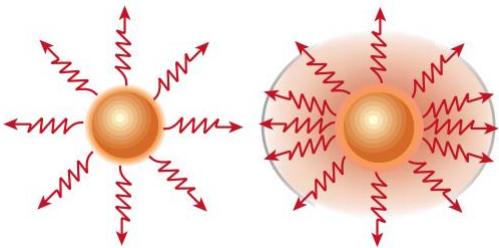
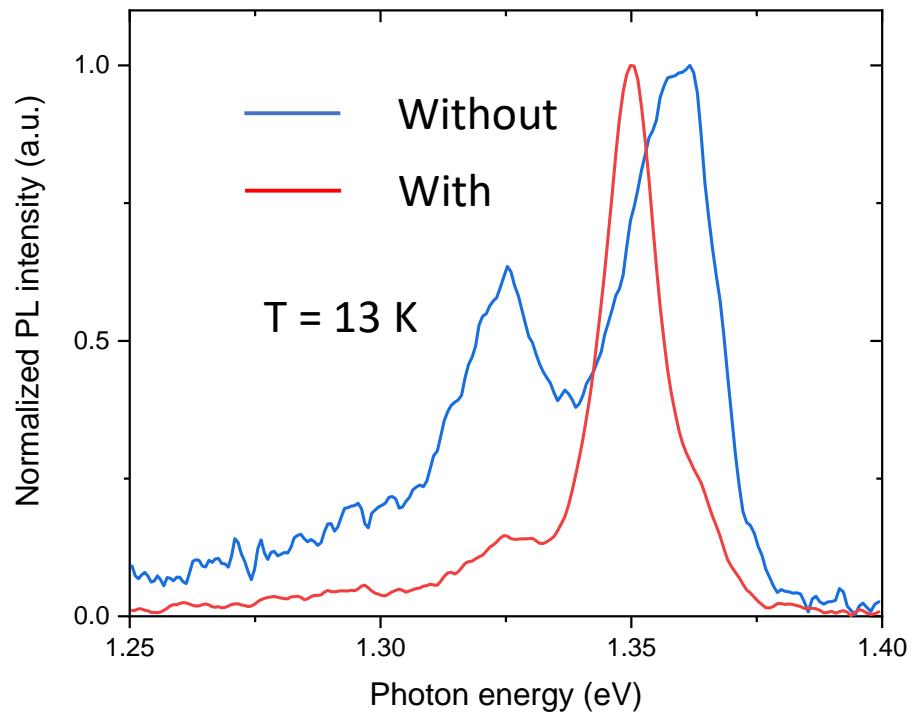


# Brightening a defective photon emitter – 5nm QW

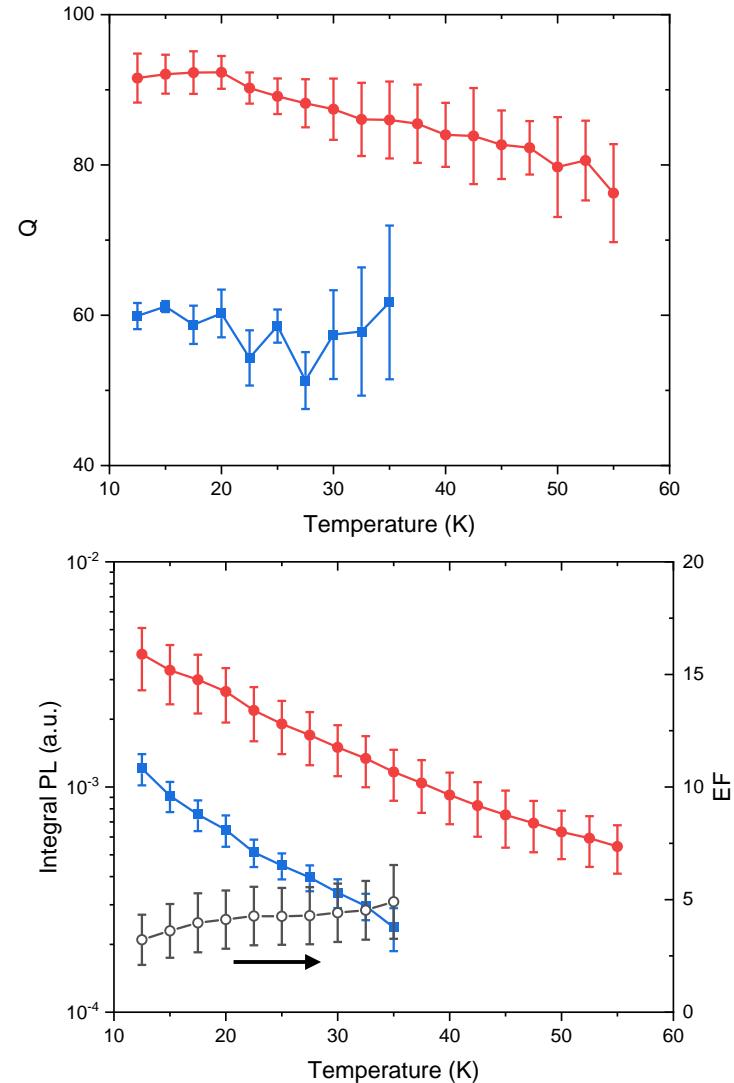


Low quality photon emitters can be brightened using plasmonic enhancement effect.

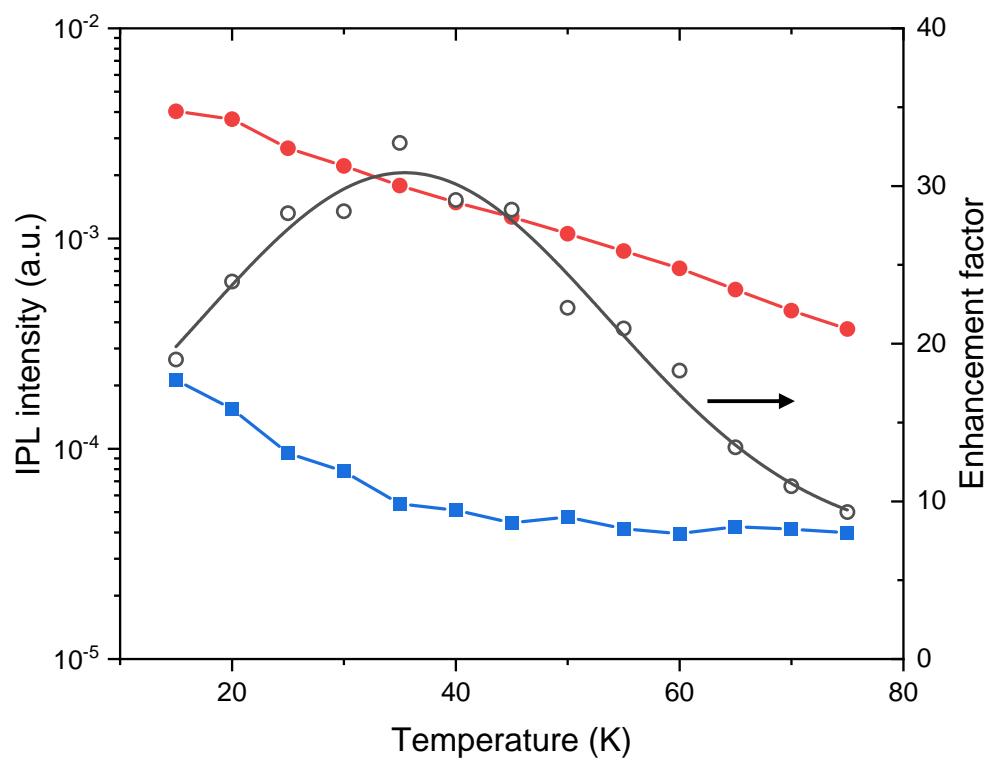
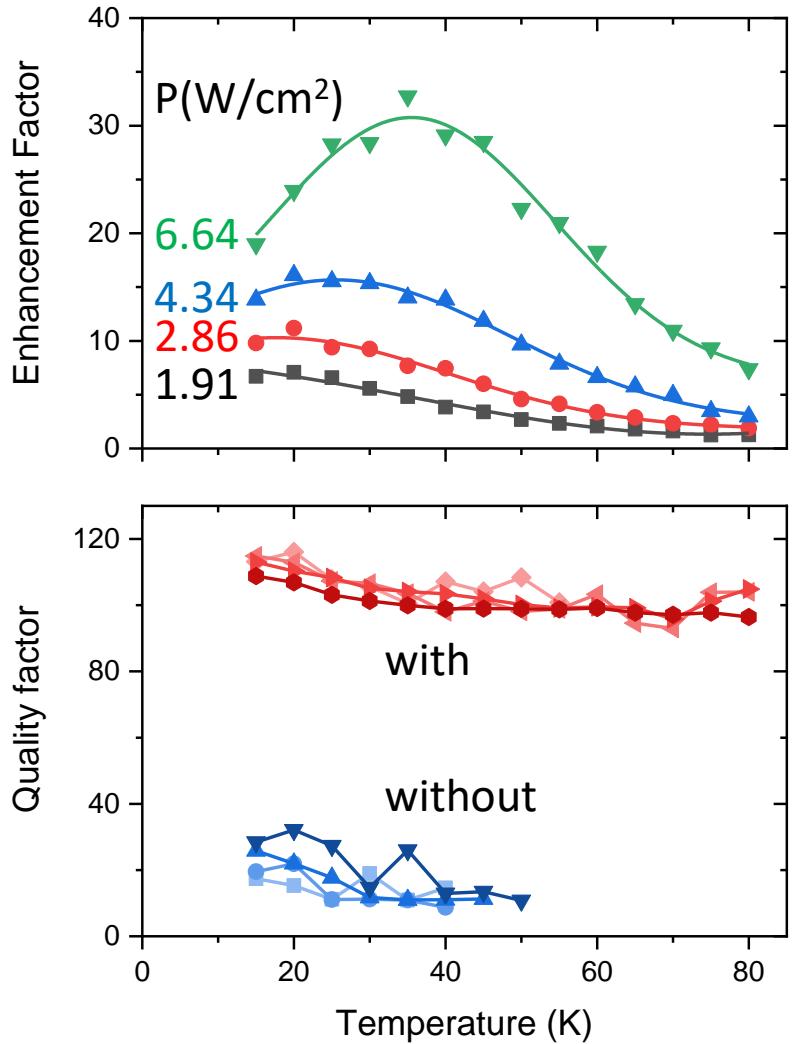
# Plasmon enhanced PL of poor QW



$$F_p = \frac{3}{4\pi^2} \left(\frac{\lambda}{n}\right)^3 \left(\frac{Q}{V}\right)$$

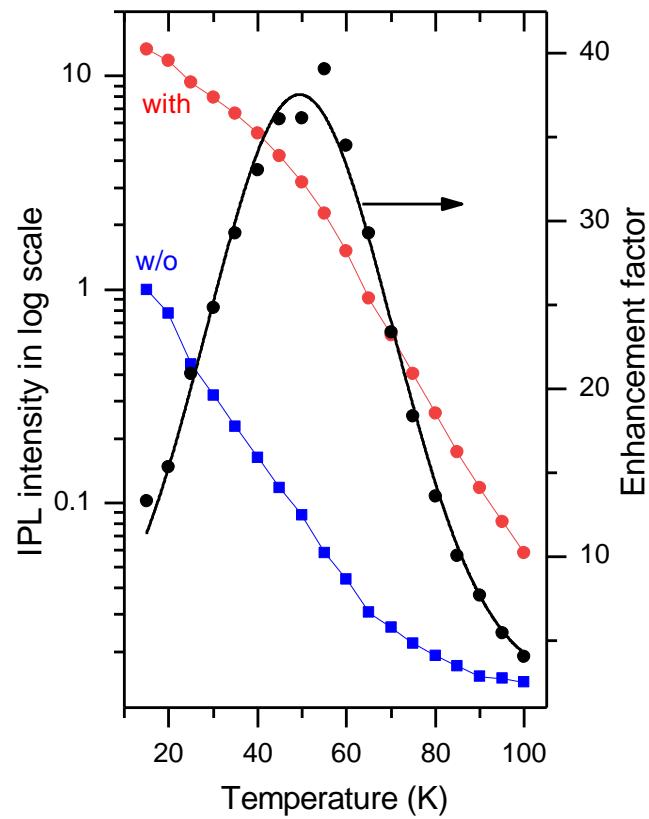
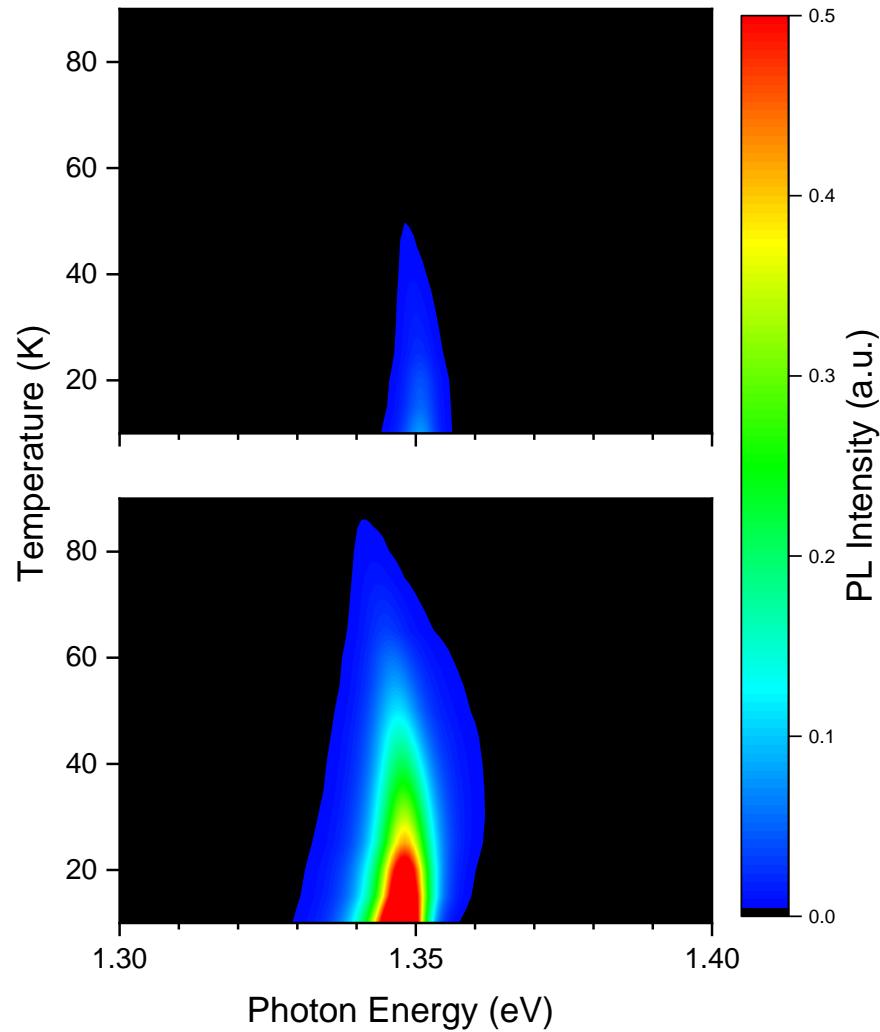


# Power dependence of EF

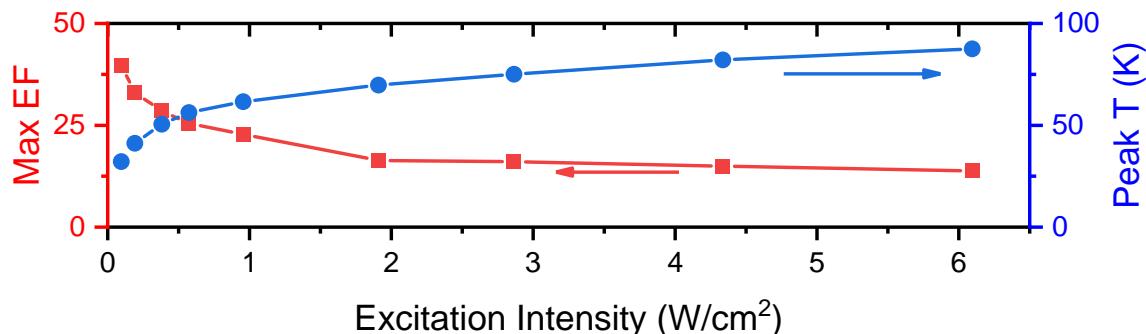
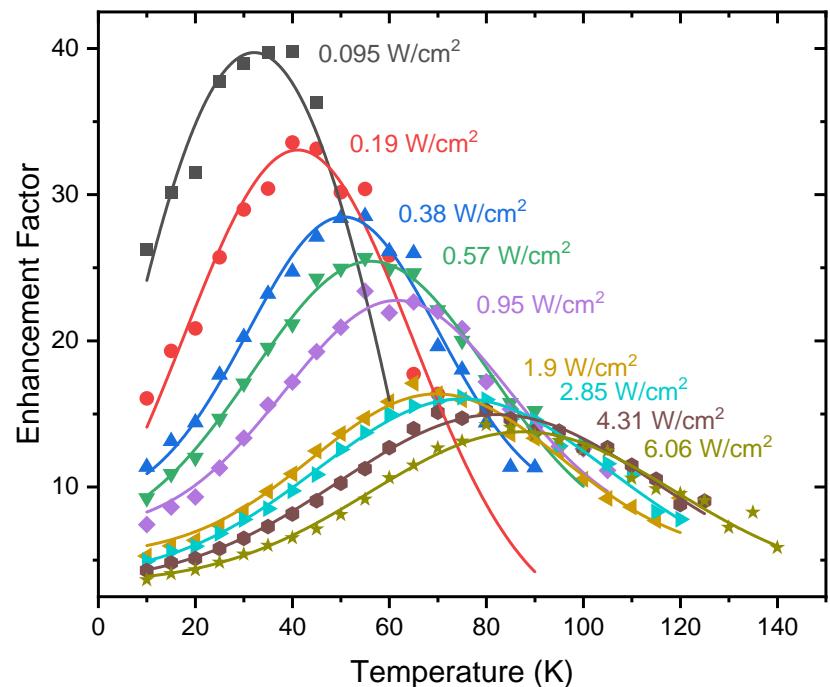
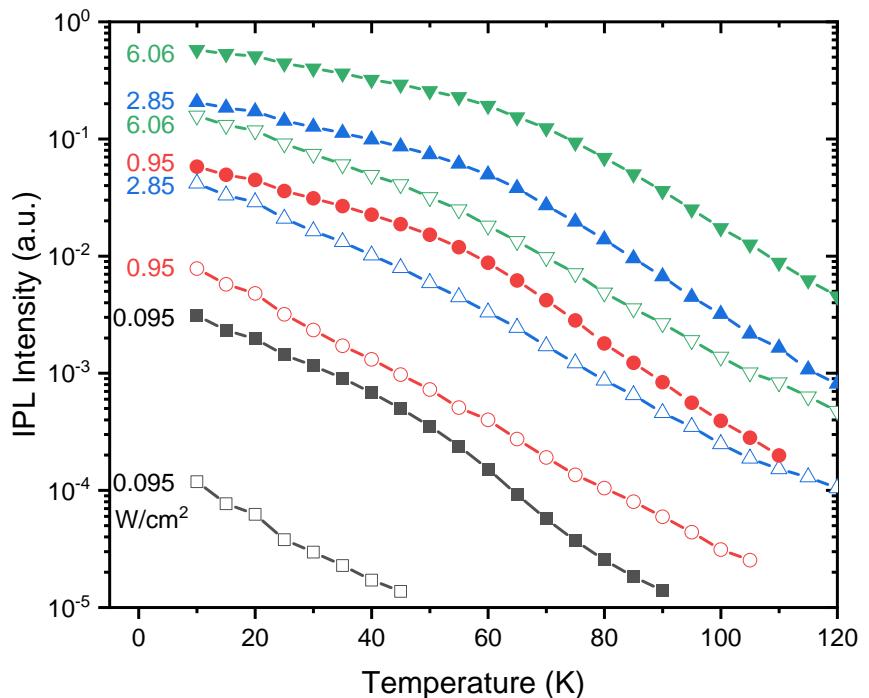


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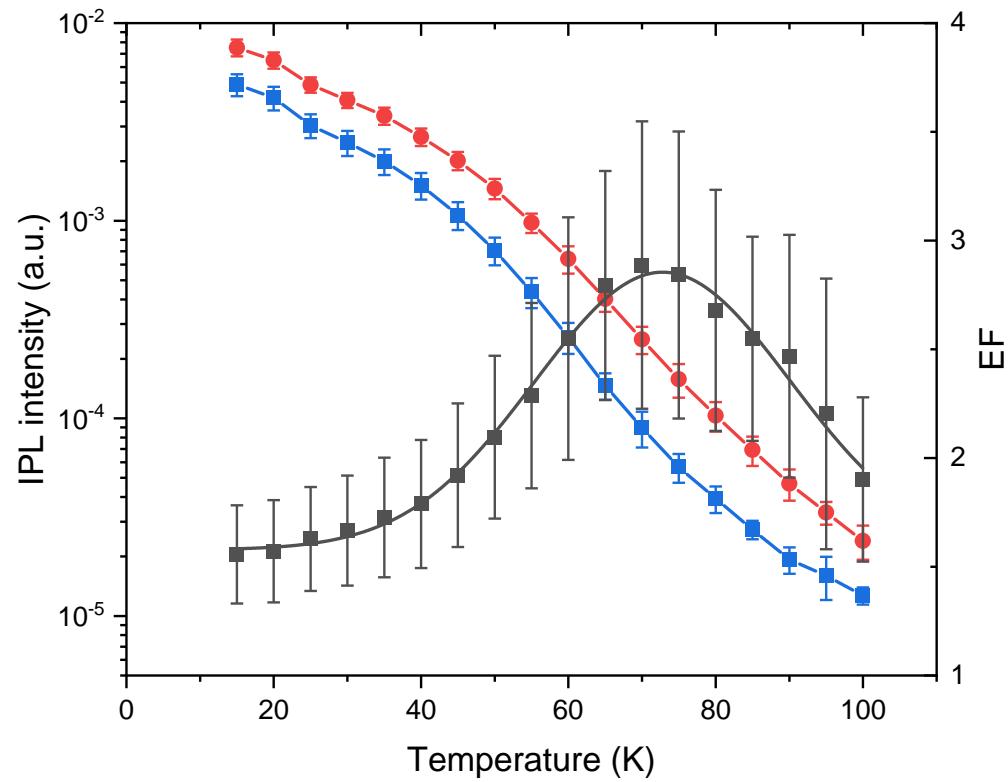
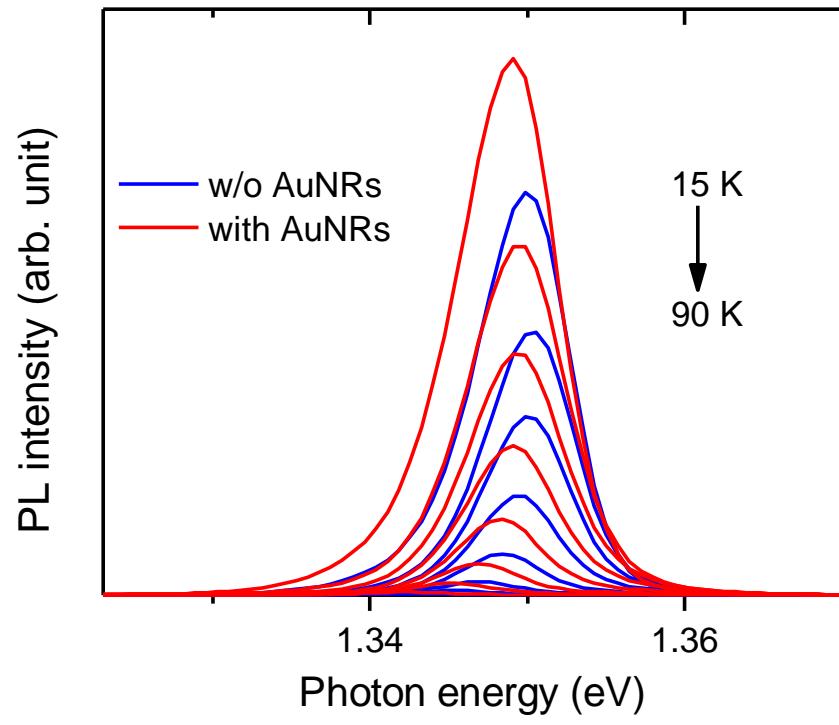
# PL of QW with 10 nm cap layer



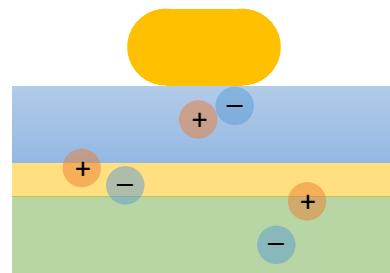
# Power dependent in 10 nm cap QW



# PL of QW with 15 nm cap layer

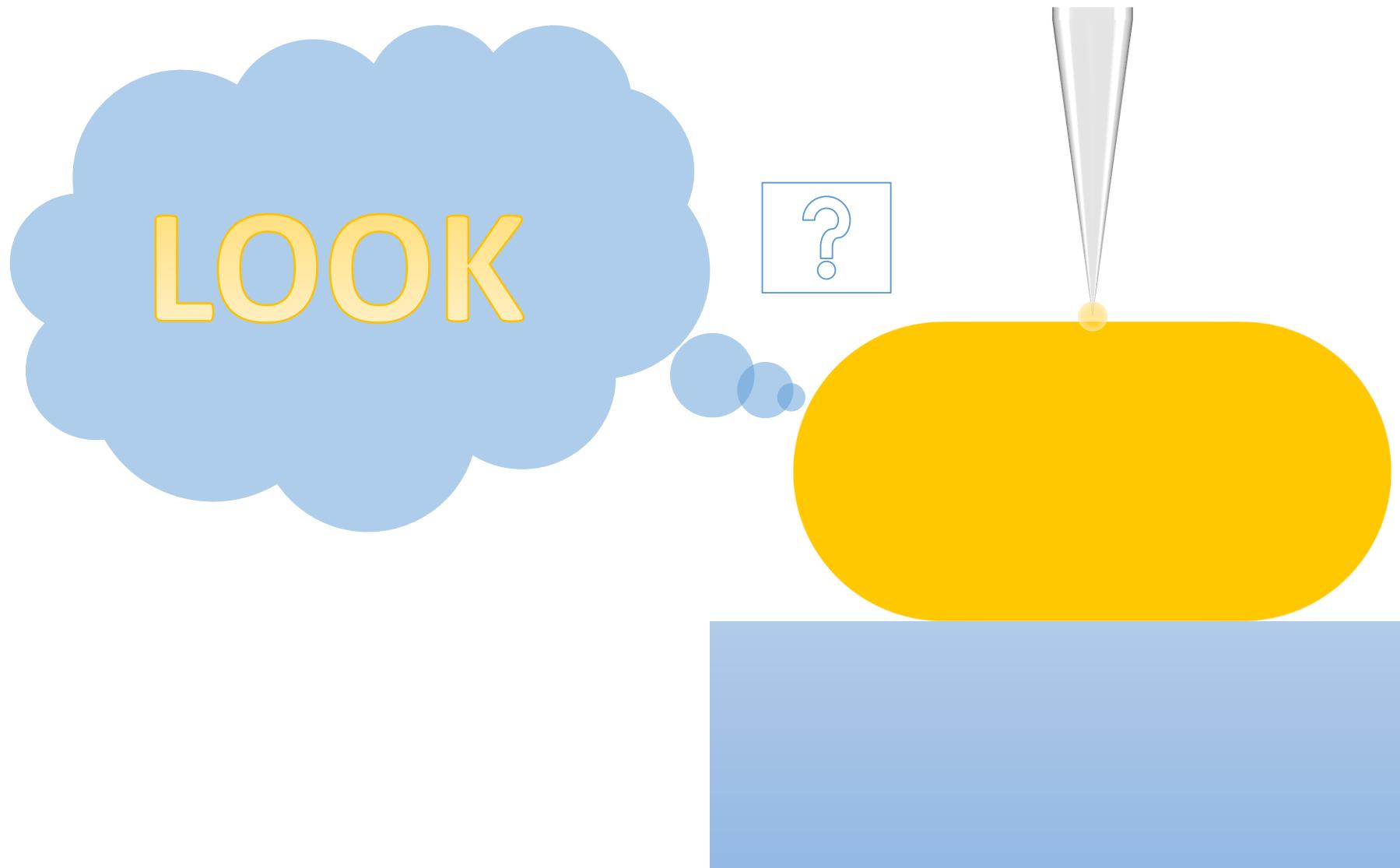


# Summary of AuNRs probing



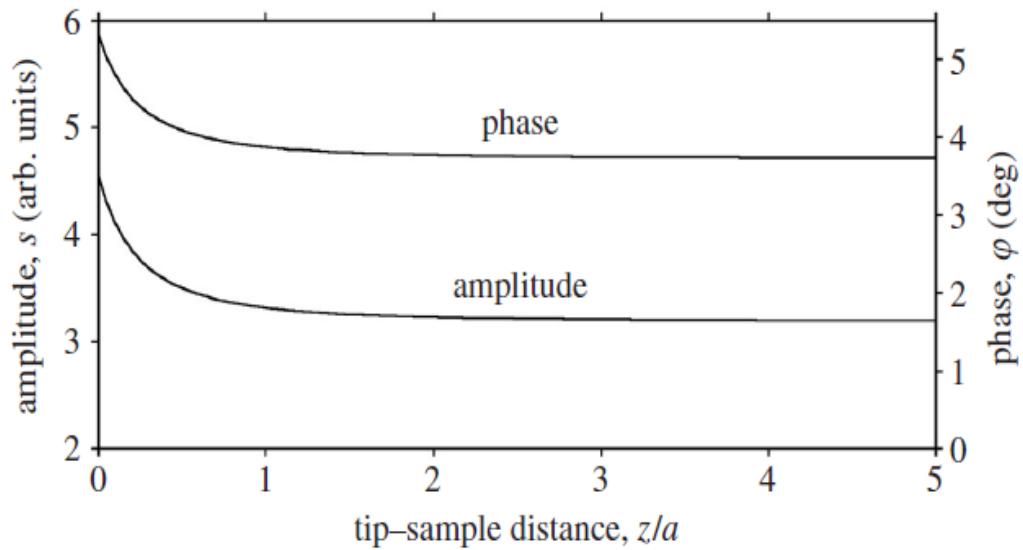
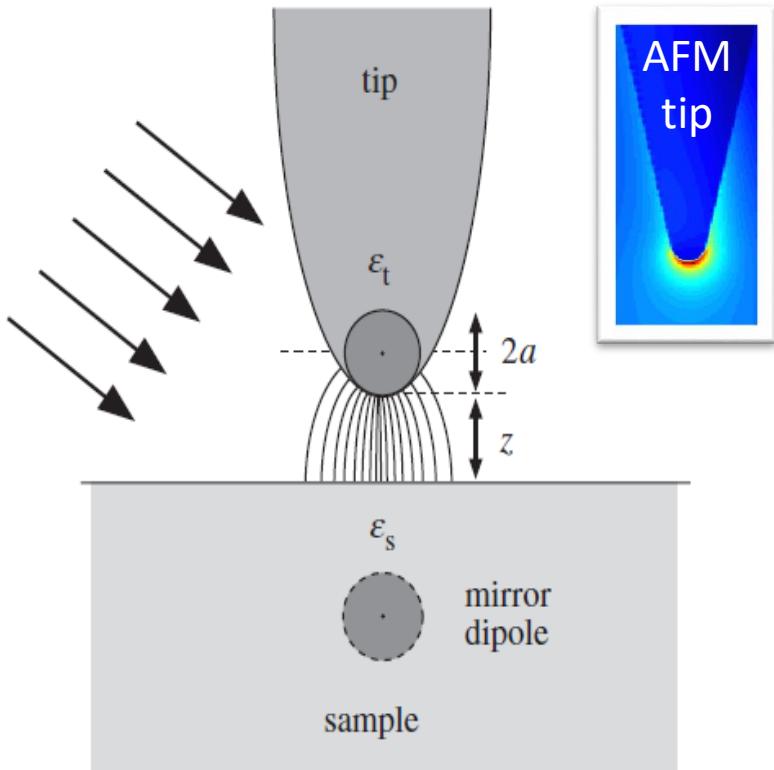
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# LSP effect at near-field region



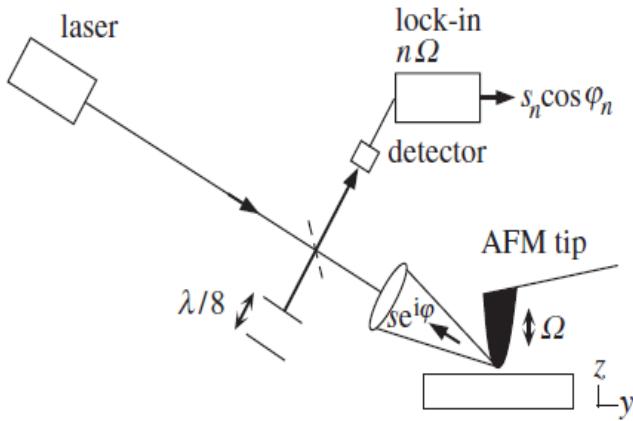
# Introduction of sSNOM

Detection of near-field requires bringing a detector very close (1-10 nm) to the surface or a probe that can scatter the near-field to a detector mounted far away from the surface.

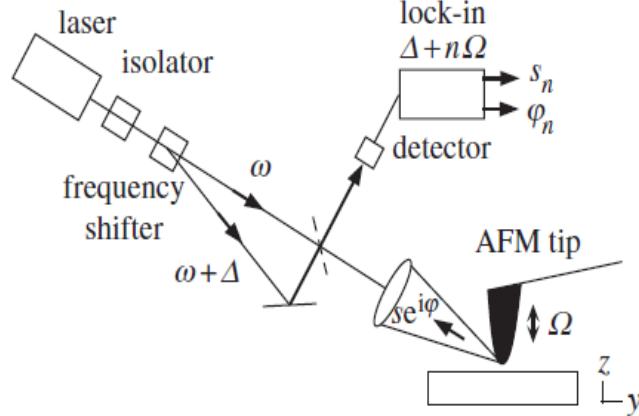


# Background free near-field detection

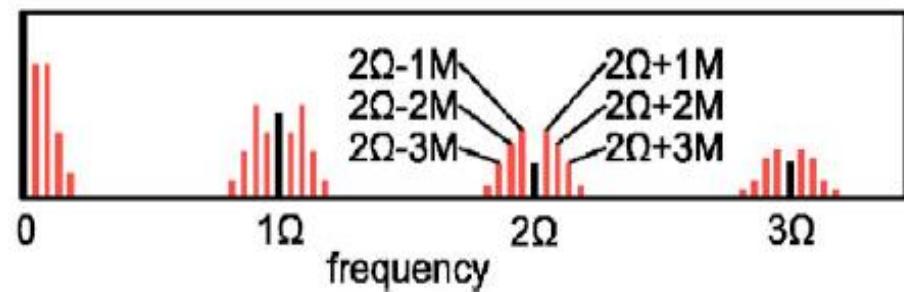
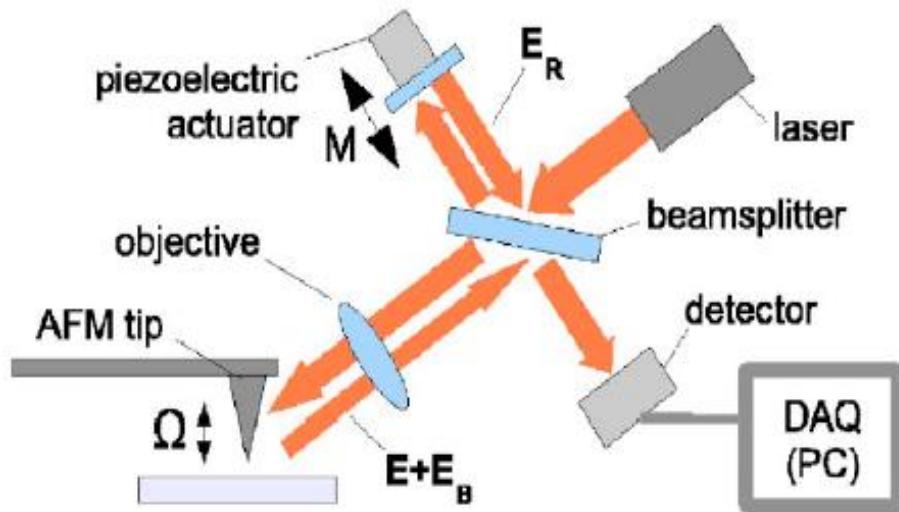
Homodyne detection



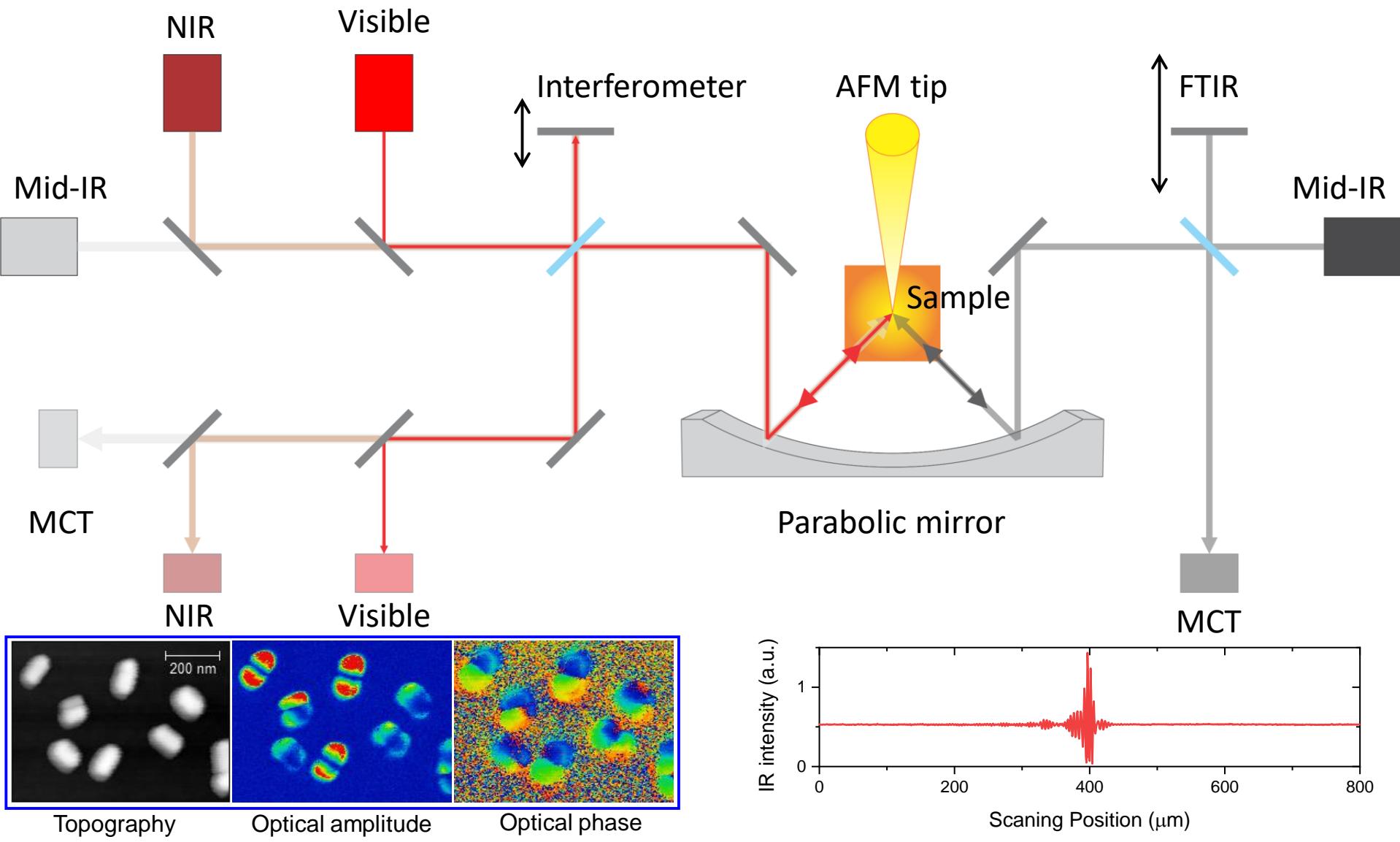
Heterodyne detection



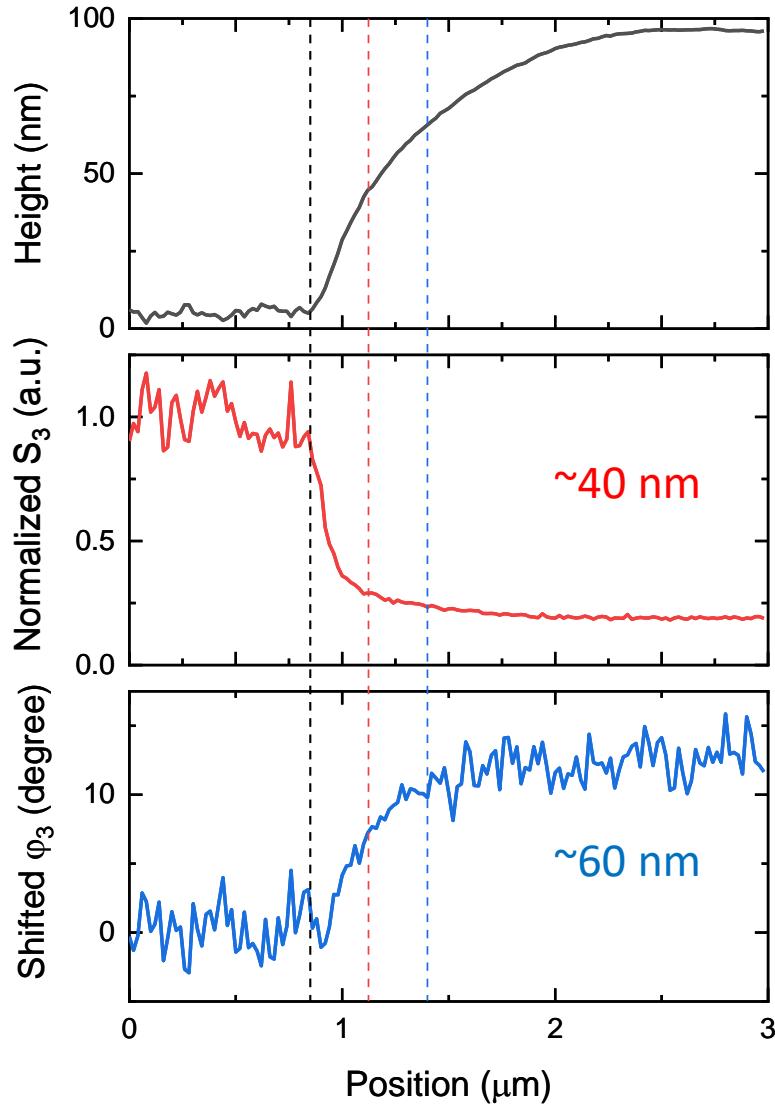
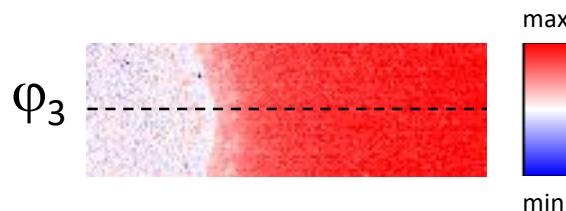
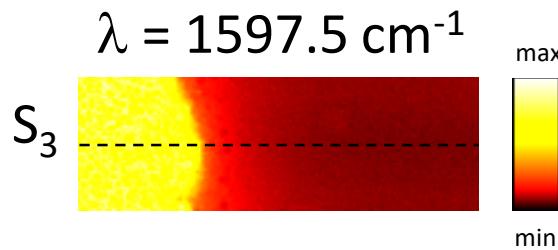
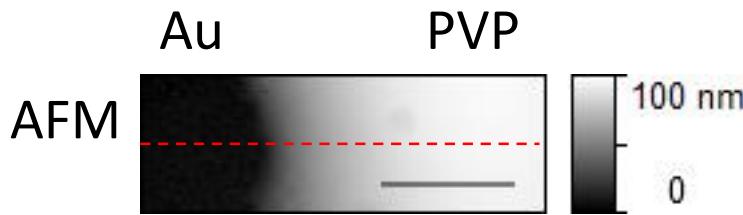
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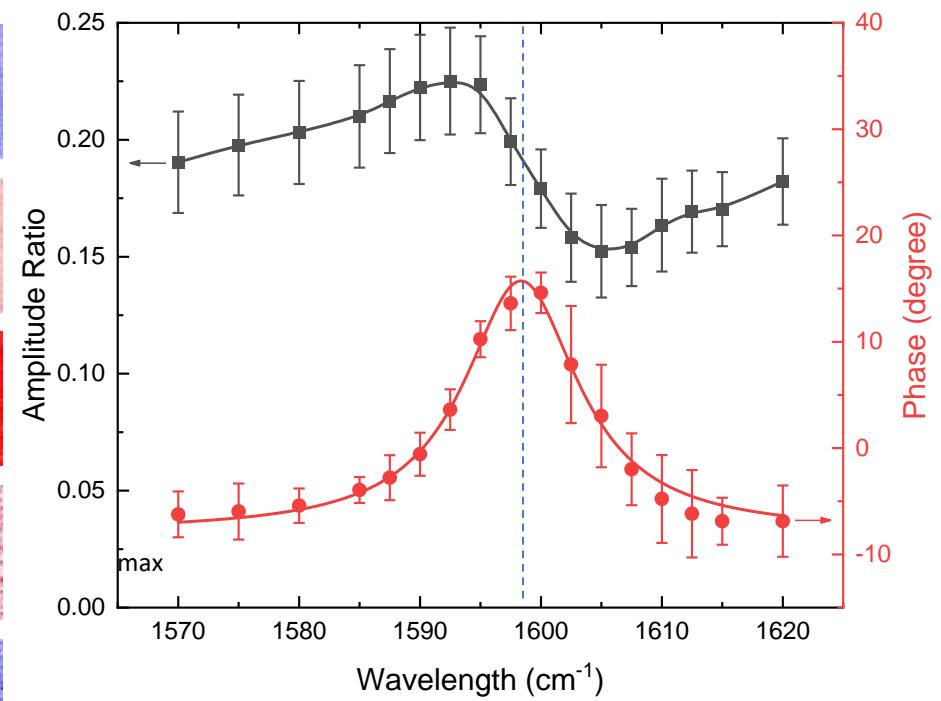
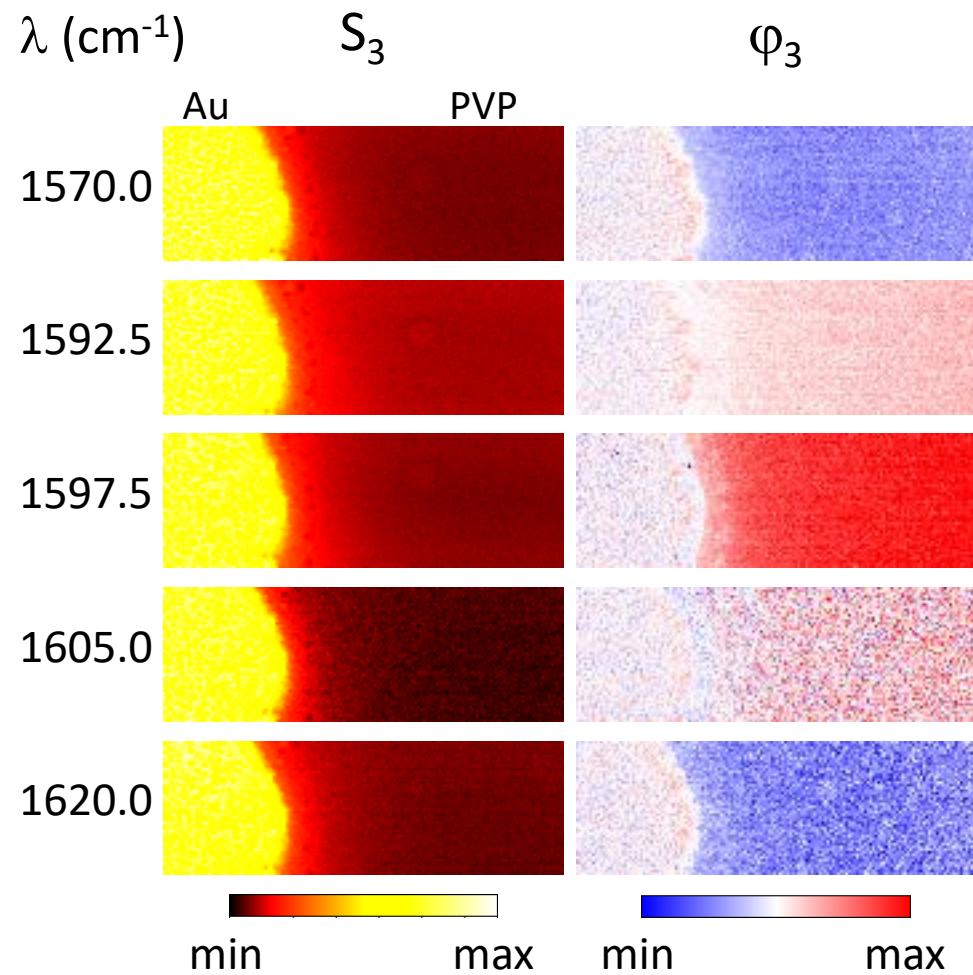
# Schematic of sSNOM system



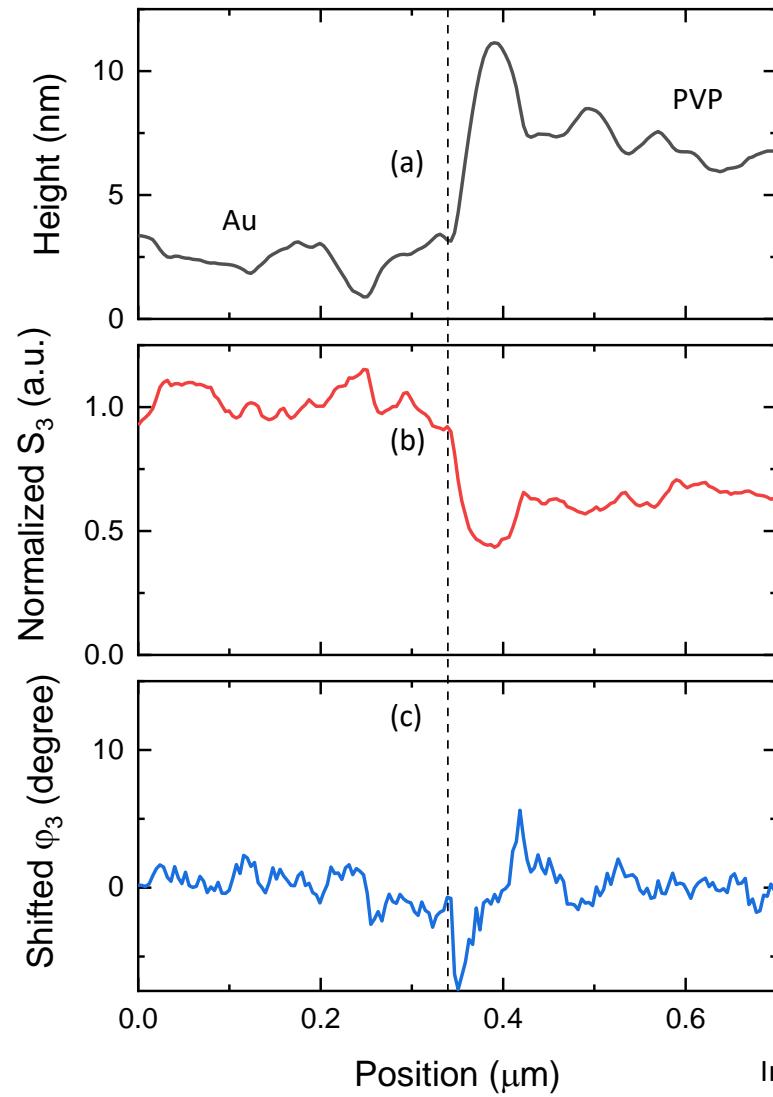
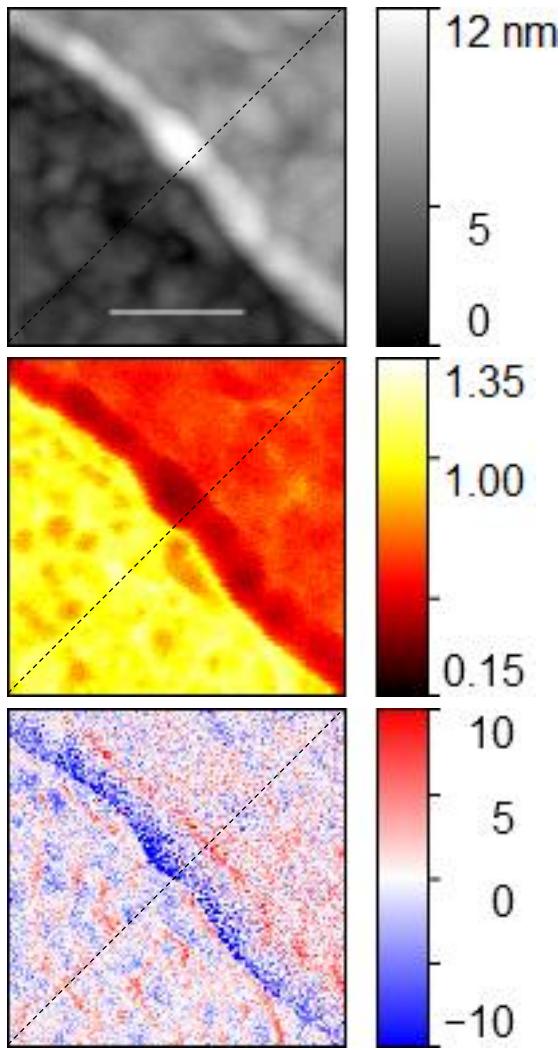
# Near-field spectroscopy - poly(4-vinylpyridine) PVP thin film



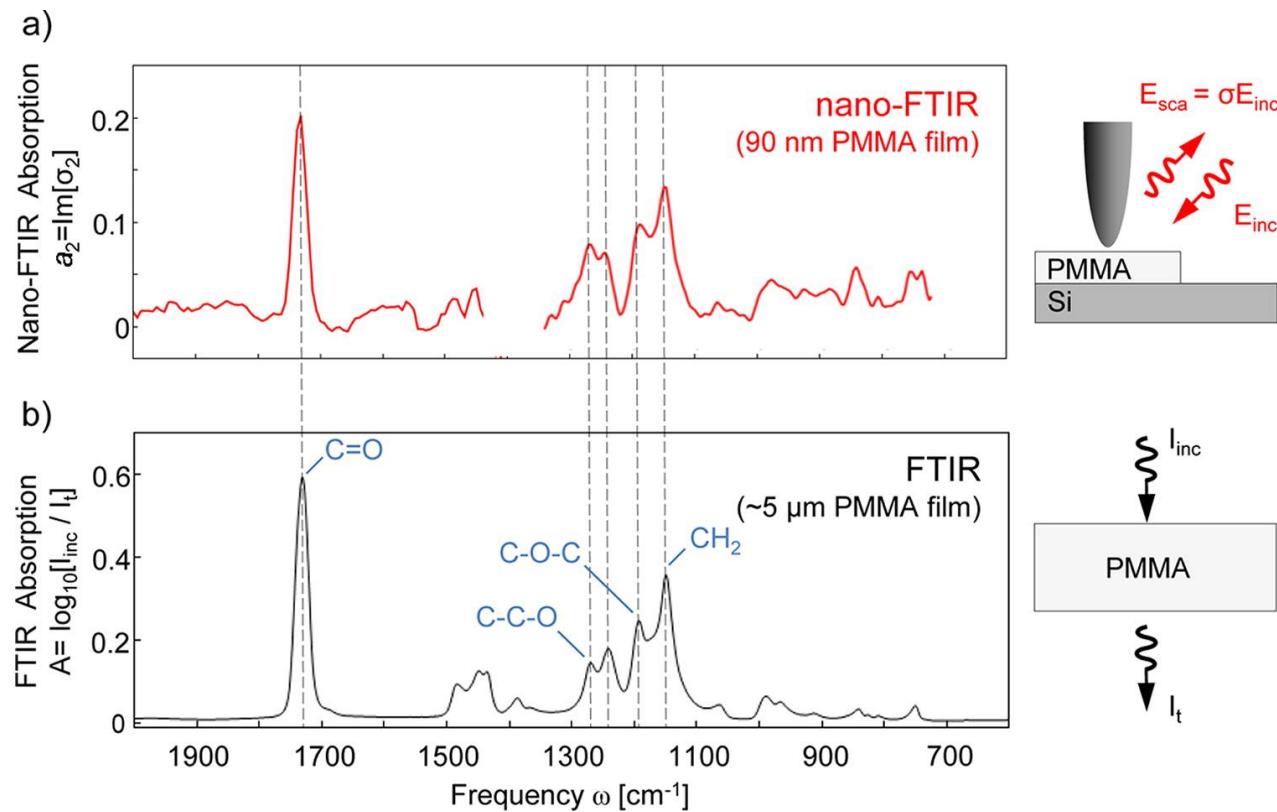
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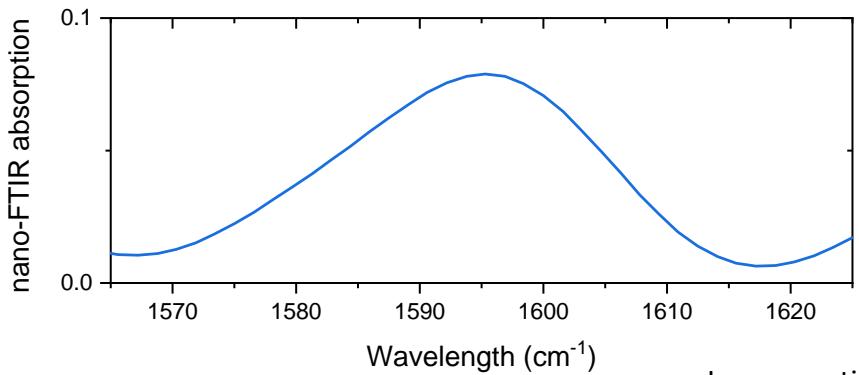
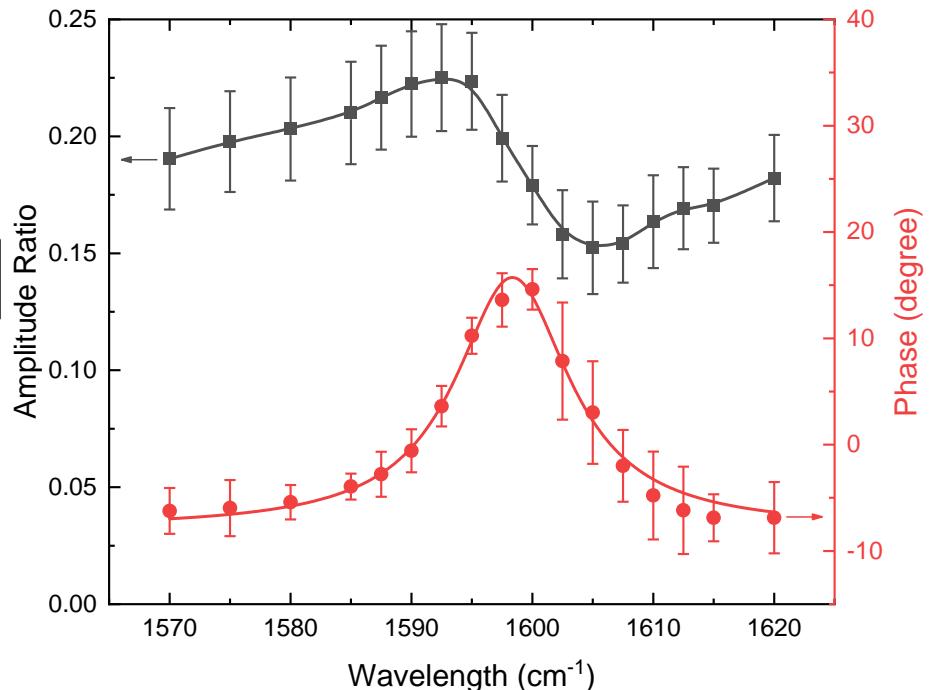
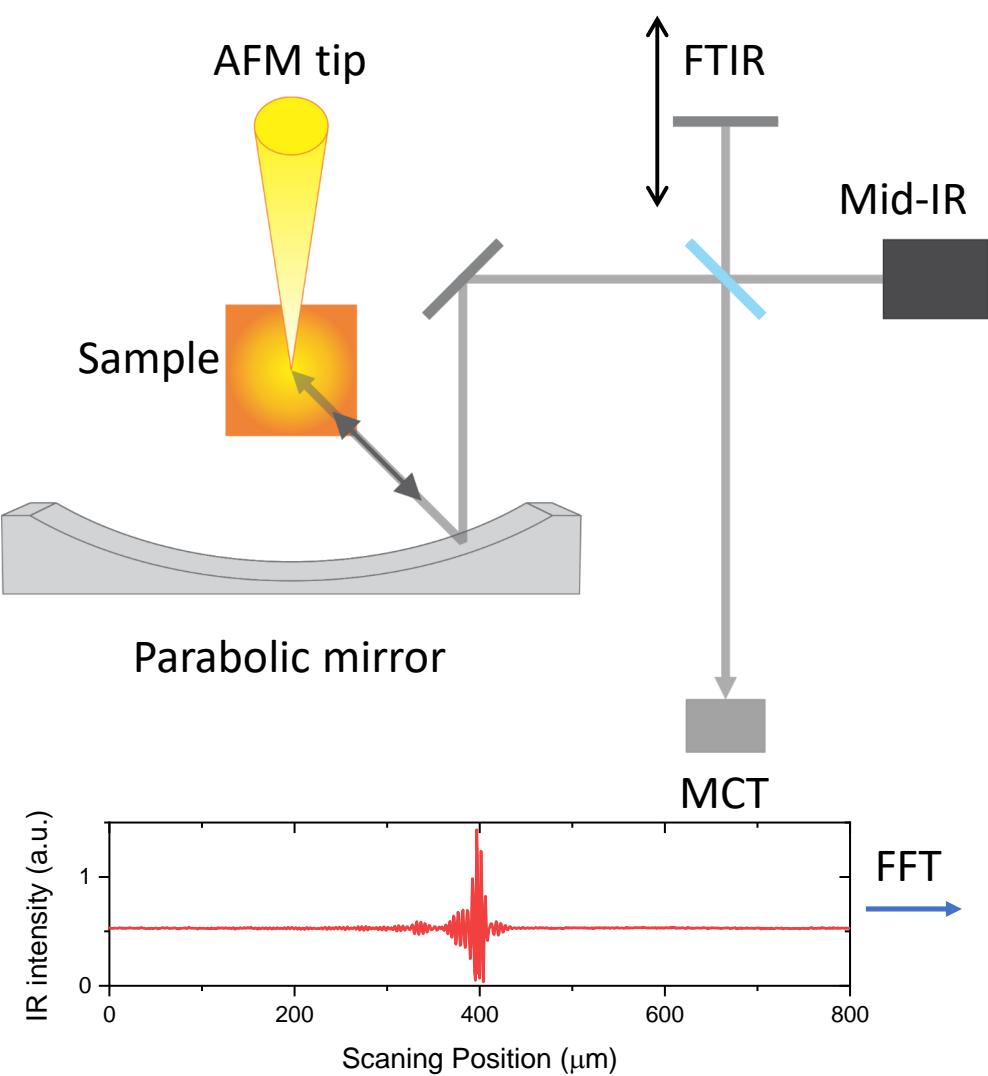
# Near-field spectroscopy limitation



# nano-FTIR vs. conventional FTIR

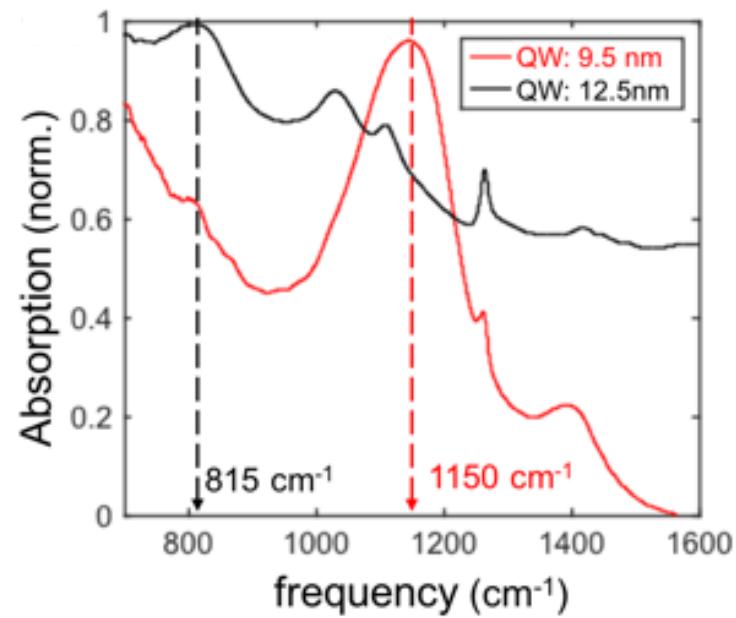
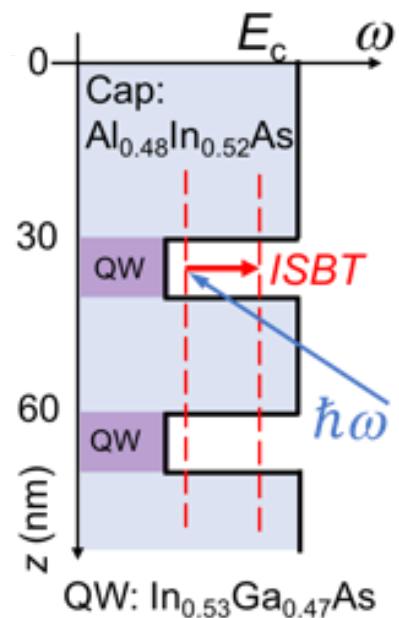
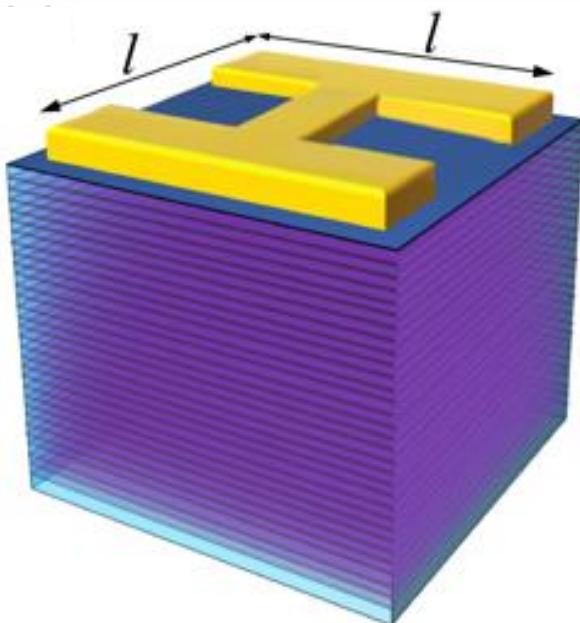


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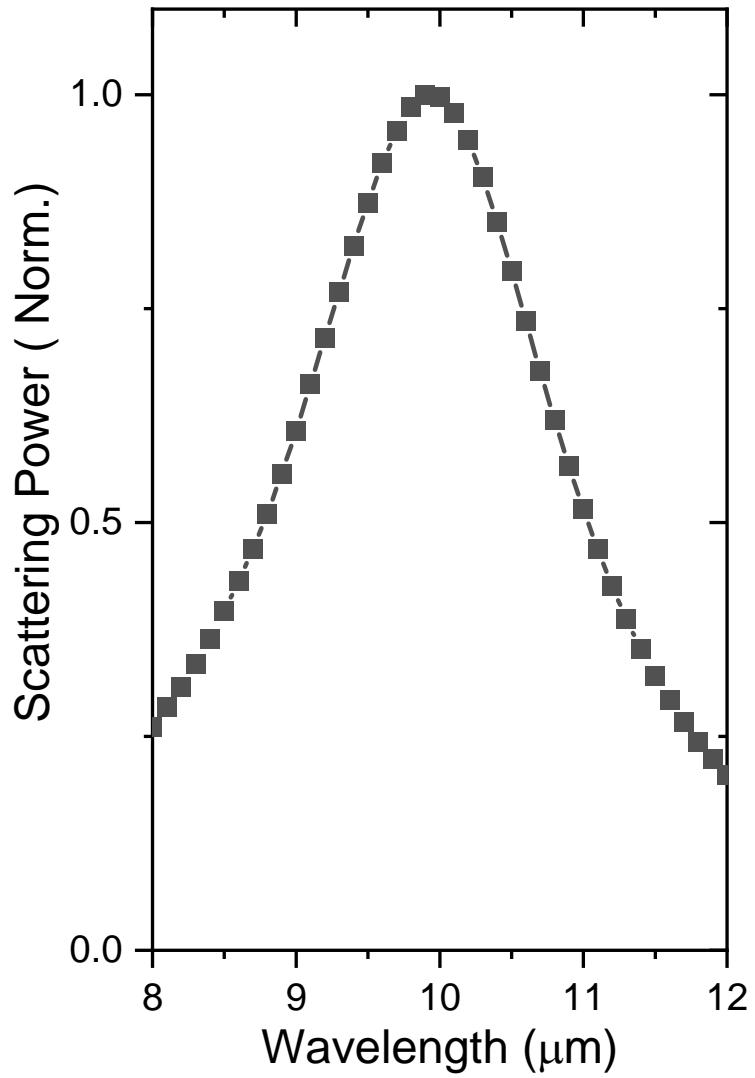
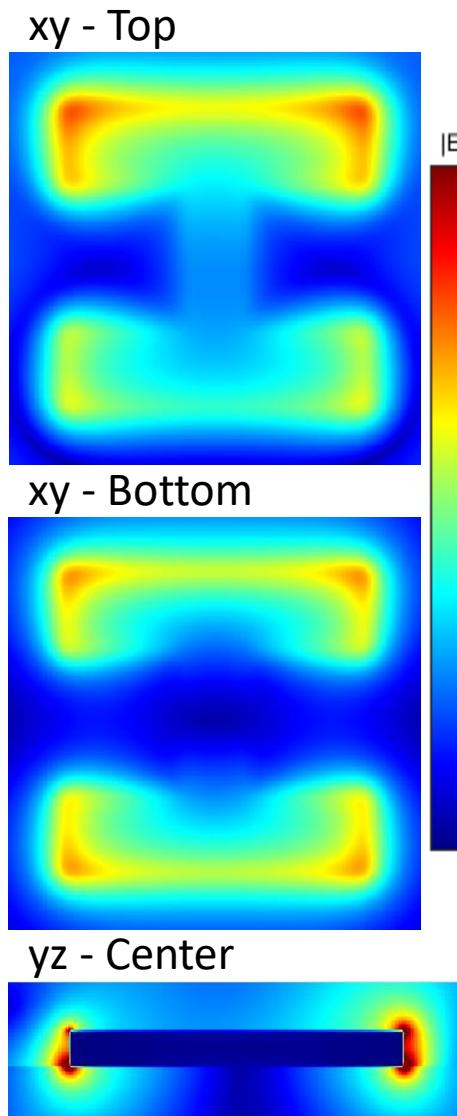
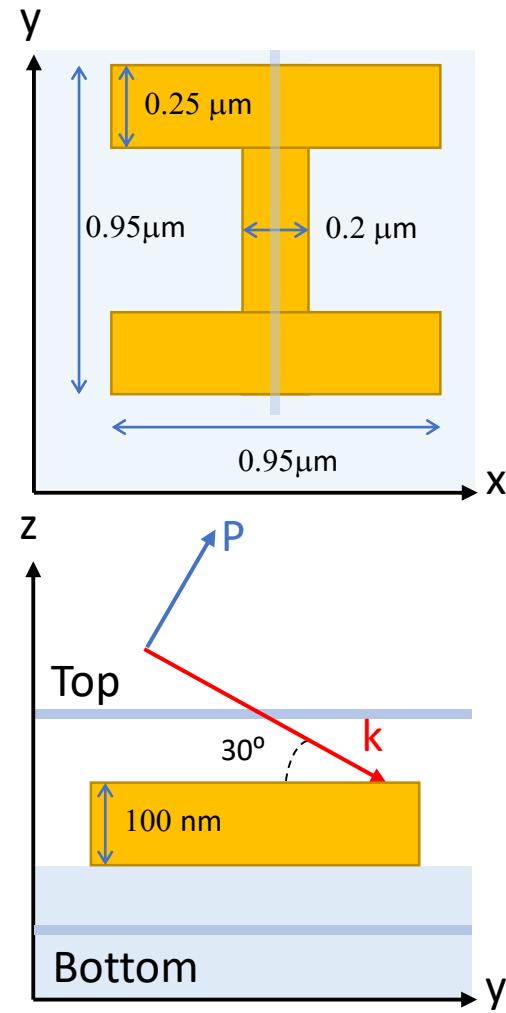


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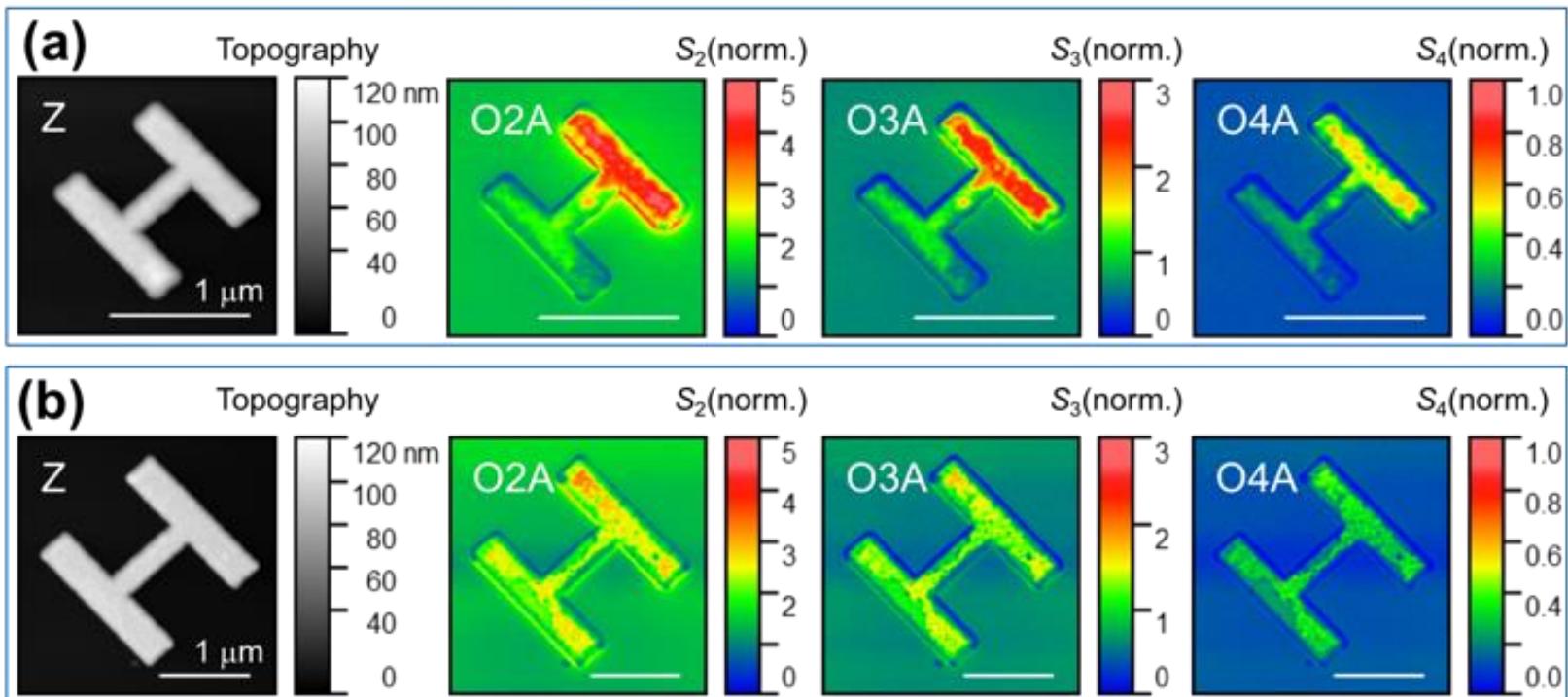
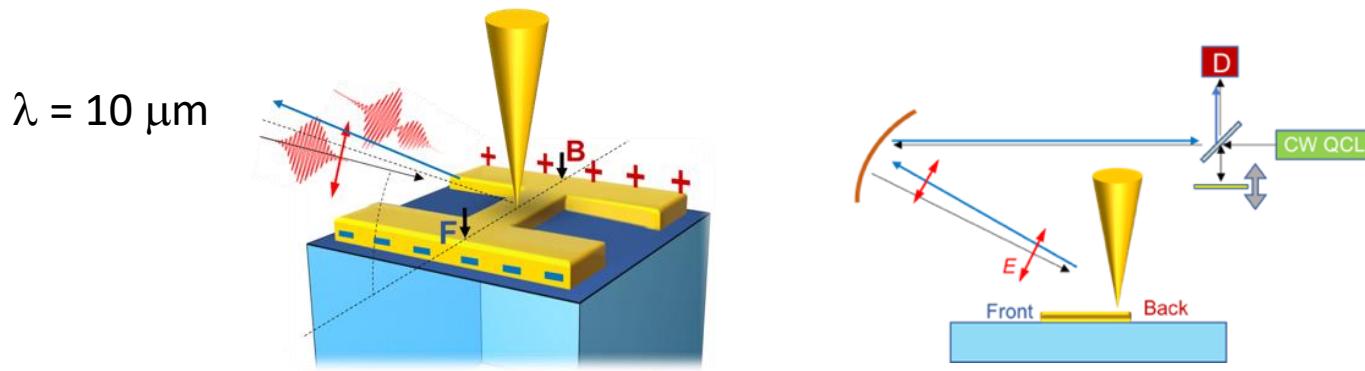
# sSNOM probing ISBT



# FDTD simulation of resonators

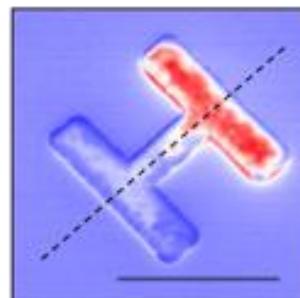
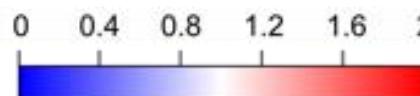


# Near-field images of resonators

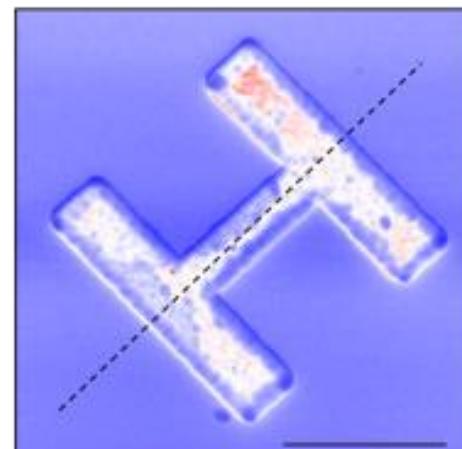


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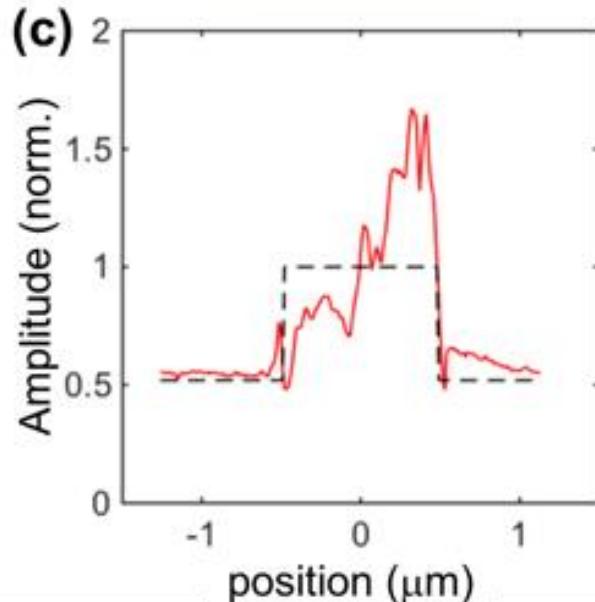
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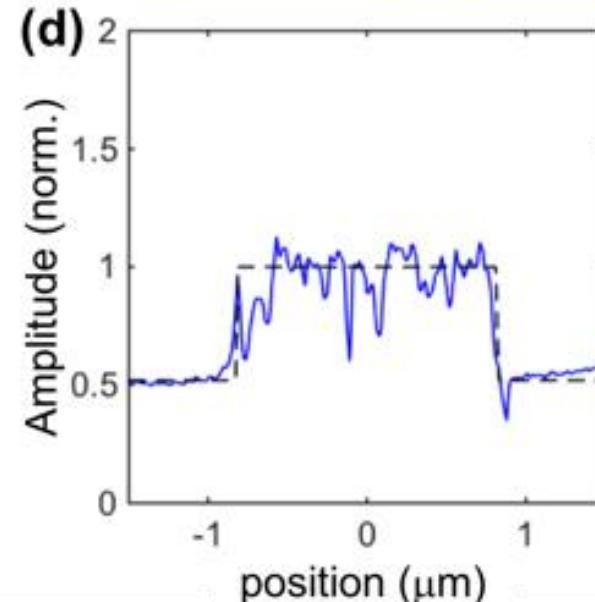
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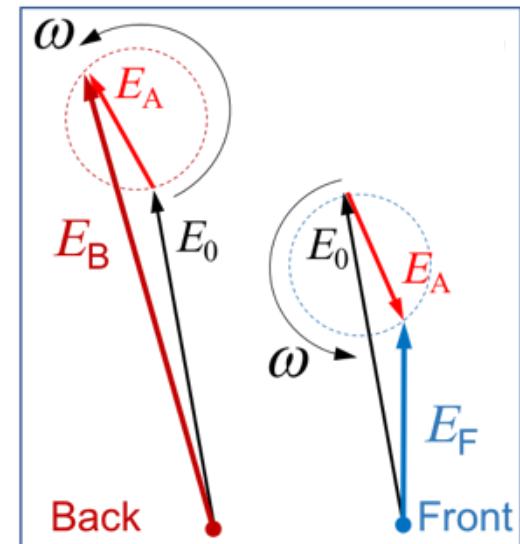
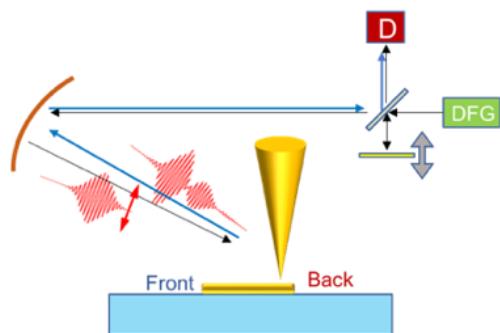
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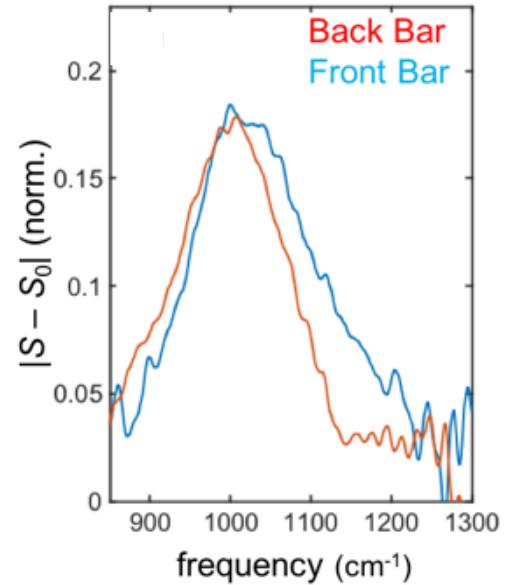
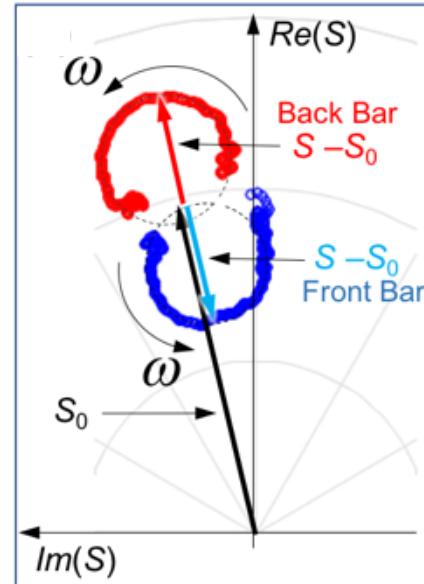
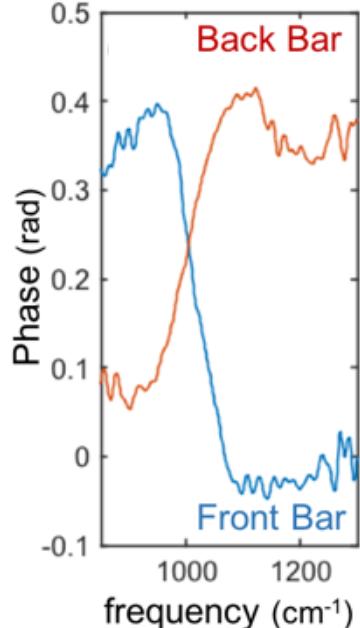
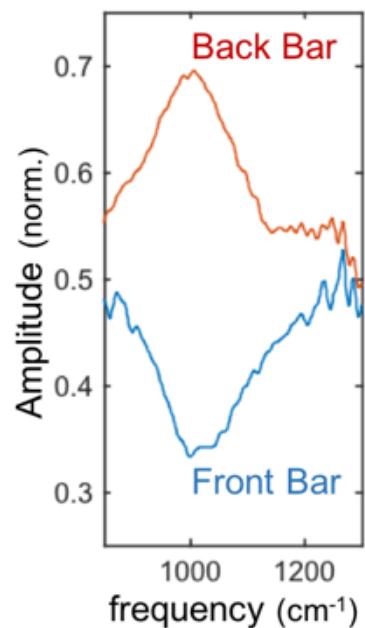
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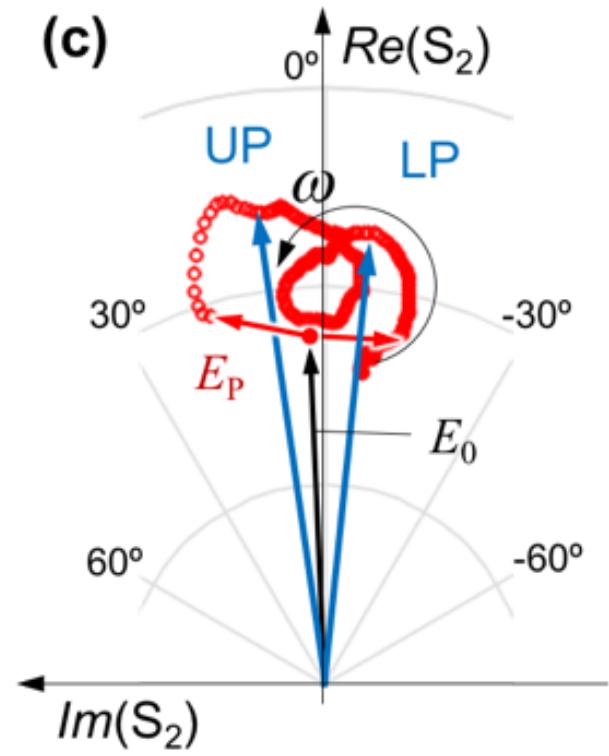
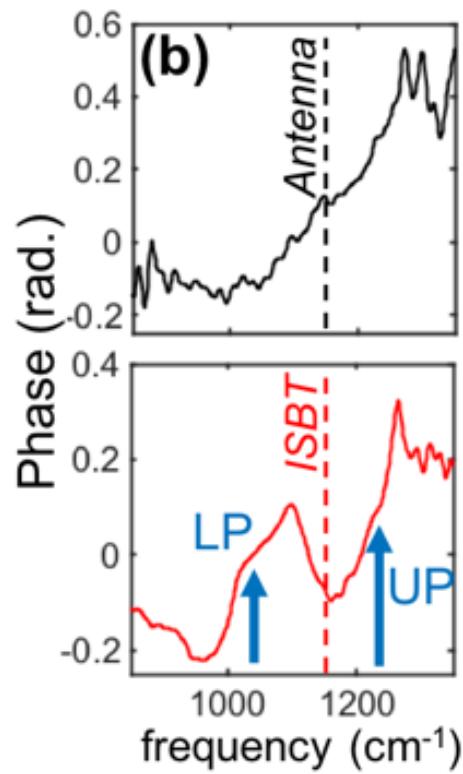
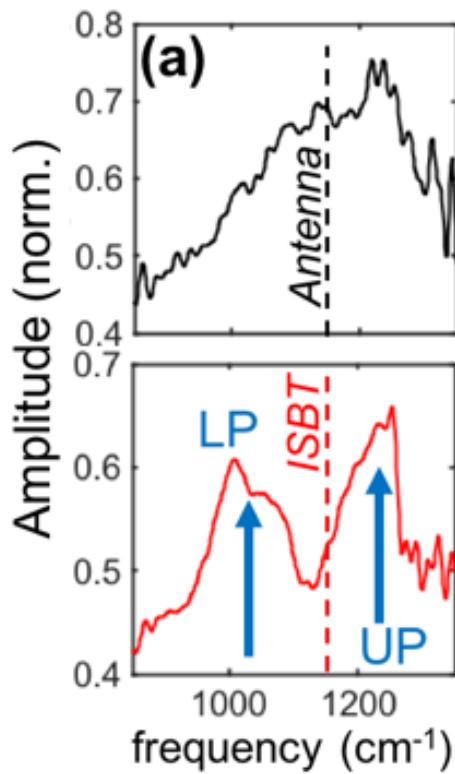
# Nano-FTIR on resonators



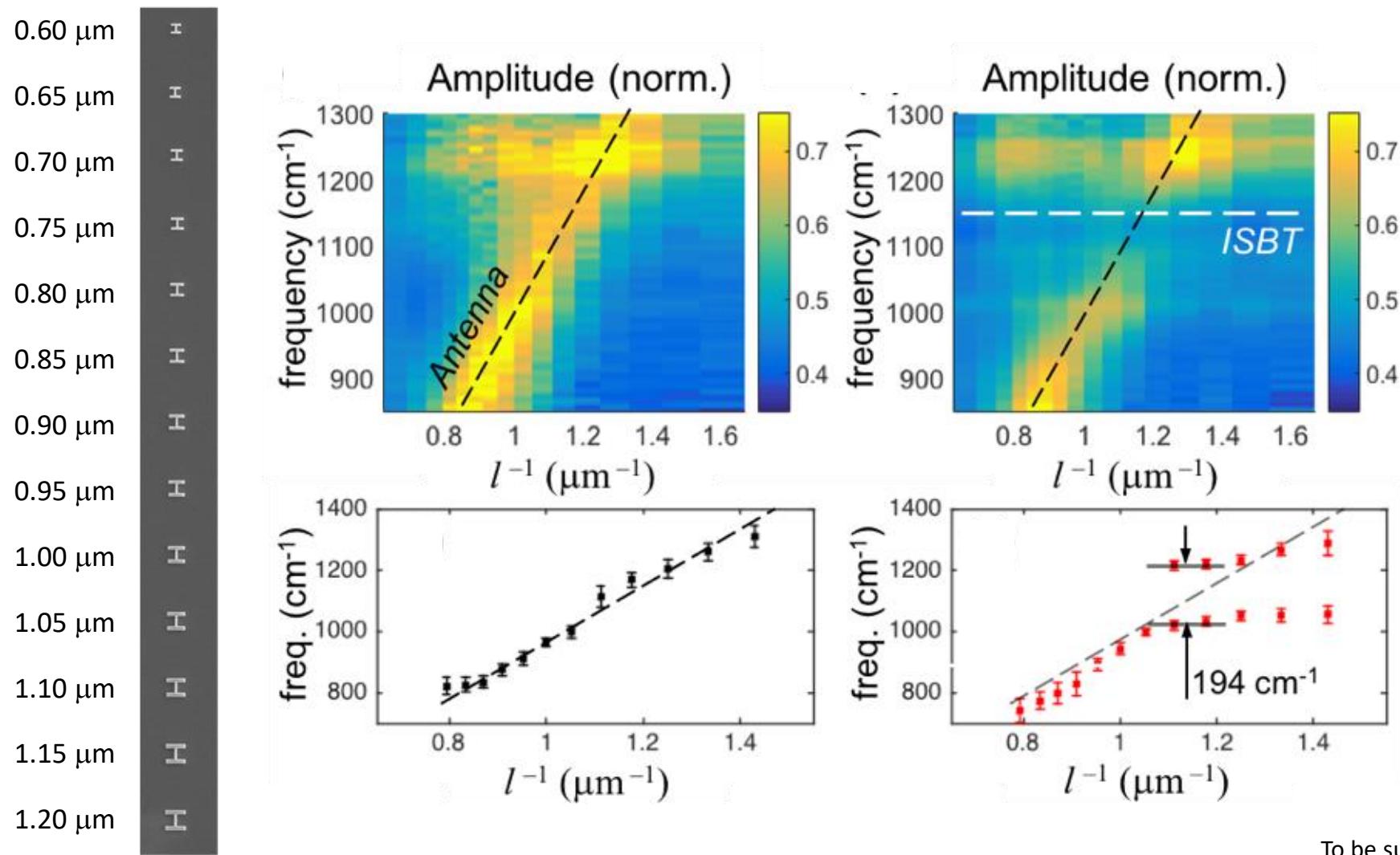
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# ISBT measurement by nano-FTIR

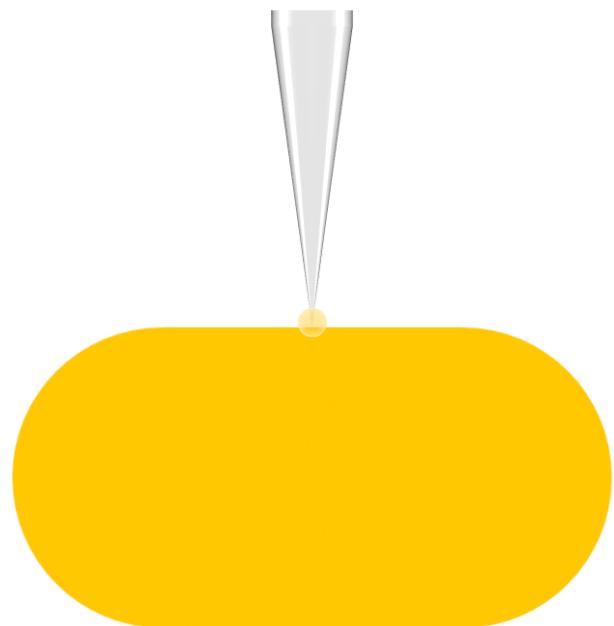


# ISBT mapping



# Summary of sSNOM

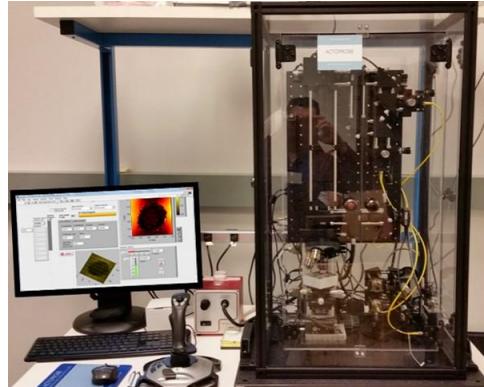
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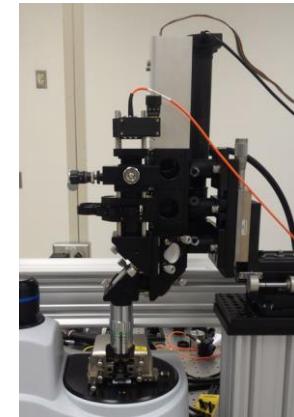
# Future work: Explore the nanoworld



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- Short-term goal: pump-probe measurement in THz region with fs temporal resolution.
- Long-term goal: innovate novel microscope to explore the world of nanoscales.
  - Spatial
  - Temporal
  - Spectral
  - Temperature

THz X-ray

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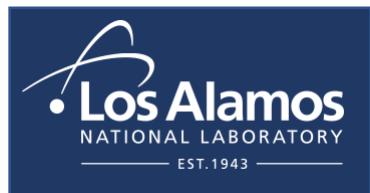


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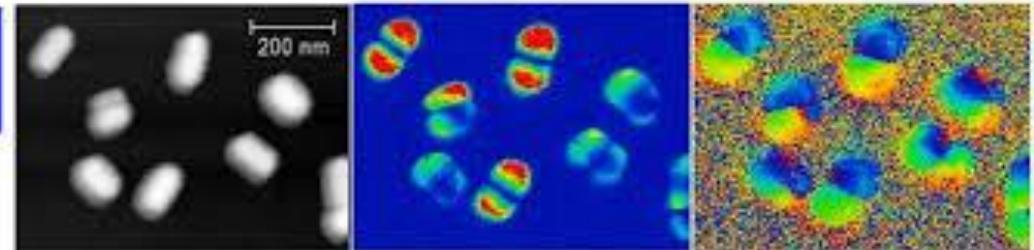
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